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MONEY MARKET
IN SHANGHAI
ROCKS WILDLY

Shanghai, Dec. 13.

Shanghai's black marketeers and speculators today ignored the Government's efforts to suppress the violent fluctuations in foreign exchange rates, commodity prices and stock quotations. The underground rinto on United States currency, which has remained stable the last couple of days, zoomed beyond CN\$160,000 to US\$1.00. Major stock quotations shot skyward despite arrests of

Cotton Sale To
Japan Denied

A Tokyo report that the Hong Kong Government is negotiating with SCAP for the sale to Japan of 50,000 bales of Indian raw cotton, was officially denied yesterday. The "Sunday Herald" was told that the Government has not undertaken any such negotiations. The Tokyo message said that the Government had bought up the raw cotton in Hong Kong and was trying to sell it to Japan as Hong Kong's quota in return for Japanese manufactured goods.

Letters From
Readers

Hut-Dwellers

Sir,—From what can be gathered in vernacular press in and out of Hong Kong, professional agitators are again making capital out of the Kowloon City episode.

This time the agitators have stressed on the point of sovereignty, whereas they held, in their attempt to conduct extraterritorial elections, sovereignty is a thing of the past.

While I do not like to stir up any more issue, I would ask those professional agitators by what treaty or sovereign rights have the Chinese Maritime Customs officers in the Star Ferry terminals of the Canton-Kowloon Railway been exercising the power of searching, seizing and confiscating cargoes of Hongkongites? I have just come across a case where the Chinese Maritime Customs has taken and confiscated goods in Hong Kong without informing the local Government and without passing through judicial tribunals.

The days of Hitlerite extension of persecution and protection abroad are going. Those propagandists and secret agents who learnt their technique in Berlin and Moscow better stop their playing such hopeless game.

Excepting rice, local commodity prices remained fairly steady. Rice, which had climbed to CN\$1,000,000 per picul (133 pounds), dropped back to CN\$800,000 which is still higher than it ever has been before.

Big Silver Hunt

Meanwhile, Shanghai police today seized 200 lbs. of hoarded silver from the residence of an exchange and tobacco shop owner.

At black market valuation the silver is worth CN\$2.4 billion. The silver has been sent to the Central Bank for storage.

The owner will probably receive CN\$25,000 as compensation. The sum represents the pre-war dollar payment. The informer was given CN\$4,000 only.

Under Chinese law, possession of silver is illegal since the Silver Nationalization Act of 1935 and hoarded stock, according to precedent, will be paid on inflated dollar for such coin. Associated Press and United Press.

NAVIGATION
BUREAU TO
CONTROL SHAI
PILOTING

Shanghai, Dec. 13. The Navigation Bureau of the Ministry of Communication will take over administrative responsibility of Shanghai river pilotage from the Chinese Maritime Customs on December 16, it was learned today.

The transfer was originally scheduled for January 1, but the stepping-up decision given the Ministry an opportunity to begin operations earlier in view of the continued strike of Shanghai's 22 pilots—not suspended.

Meanwhile, it is believed that the pilot-strike would be solved by Tuesday.—United Press.

"THE SHADOW
OF WAR"

Mr. James Bertram, well-known in Hong Kong before the war, has just published a new book in London—"The Shadow of War"—which tells of his experiences in the China war.

Mr. Bertram, who was connected with the Ministry of Information in Hong Kong in 1941, joined the H.K.V.D.C. on the outbreak of hostilities. Taken prisoner, he was interned at Shamshuipo and was later sent to Omori P.O.W. Camp, Tokyo.

H.K. Goods To
Be Displayed
At Birmingham

A British Empire Products Exhibition is to be held in Birmingham next year. Local manufacturers have been allotted space for the display of Hong Kong products, the "Sunday Herald" learned yesterday.

The Exhibition will open on May 3 and close on May 14. The Hong Kong Chinese Manufacturers' Union is now preparing to participate in the Exhibition.

It is possible that a few local manufacturers will be personally present at the opening.

Hong Kong Welcomes
A New Barrister

Mr. Charles David Slade was yesterday admitted by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chief Justice), to practice as a Barrister-at-law of the Supreme Court of Hong Kong.

In supporting Mr. Slade's application for admission to membership of the Bar of this Colony, The Hon. Mr. J. B. Griffin, Attorney General, said that Mr. Slade was admitted to the Bar, being a Member of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn, on Jan. 27, 1941.

From that date until Jan. 29, 1947, Mr. Slade had the status of a practicing Barrister at the English Bar by virtue of his position as Legal Assistant to the Public Trustee in England. Mr. Griffin held that Mr. Slade's intention to practice in this Colony.

Nevertheless he was glad to have the opportunity of extending to him, on behalf of the Bar, a welcome to the fraternity of the Barristers.

On The Sidelines Of
The Bus Strike

Hong Kong bus drivers are still on strike and the move to break the trouble with a lorry service has for the moment apparently ended in stalemate. Mountain scenes like the above are to be witnessed in the city every day. Crowds struggle to board trams which are over-loaded even before the stop is reached.—Sunday Herald Photo.

Police Unearth
New Racket

A new racket has been unearthed by the Police in Hong Kong and Kowloon, according to Det. Sub-Inspector H. T. Matches when he prosecuted Ng Wai-kwong, 24, with offering a bribe to Det. Chu Kong on Dec. 11, at Kowloon yesterday.

The bribery charge, said Det. Sub-Inspector H. T. Blair-Kerr, arose out of the detective asking Ng to accompany him to the Kowloon City Police Station to inquire into the legality, or otherwise, of accused's collections.

Ng was seen in the Hung Hom district arguing with an old man, Lo Tak, outside 230 Chatham Road. The detective found that Ng had pawned, without Lo's instructions or knowledge, the house number on to the house, and trying to collect \$4 for the job.

Not being sure whether the man had committed an offence, the detective invited Ng to accompany him to the Police Station.

While passing No. 223 Chatham Road, the shopkeeper went up to the detective and told him that while he (the shopkeeper) was in the Police Station one morning, defendant went and painted his house number and after collected \$1 from him.

"No Need"

Alighting from the bus at Prince Edward Road, near the Police Station, the defendant allegedly told the detective, "The Inspector at Yau-mai knows all about me. There's no need to take me to the Station."

On the way to the Station, the detective noted defendant putting some money into his (Chu's) pocket. He left it there, without checking it, for the Inspector to take out when they arrive at the Station.

When the detective told defendant that he should not offer any money to a Police officer, Lo allegedly replied, "That's for tea money." He was then told that he would be charged with offering a bribe.

"There is nothing in this point business," said Det. Sub-Inspector. "It is a new racket which has been going on in Hong Kong and Kowloon."

"Go-Getter"

It was not a swindle, pointed out the Magistrate, nor obtaining money by false pretences as a receipt was

APPOINTMENT

The following appointments were gazetted yesterday:—Mr. M. G. O'Connor to act as Director of Education.

Mr. R. W. Primrose to be a Deputy Registrar of Births and Deaths.

BIG FINES FOR
SECRET RADIO
OPERATORS

The "Secret Radio Station" case in which two of the three defendants who appeared before Mr. Conklin last week were fined \$3,000 or 12 months and \$500 or three months, respectively, had a sequel at Central Magistracy yesterday when third defendant, a 51-year-old woman, Wong Ying, was fined \$500.

Mr. A.S.K. Lau for the defence said that Wong, whose husband was killed after the occupation, shortly before the raid was approached by second defendant, Su Man (23), a dealer in radio parts, for a place to put his apparatus. His client, Mr. Lau contended, did not know the contents, which were never used in her presence. When the place was raided Wong was not in the house. Mr. Lau also said that the apparatus was always kept under lock and key. Wong is the principal tenant of No. 9, Tai Wong Street, East, 3rd Floor, the scene of the raid.

"Telephoning"

At last week's hearing Inspector Chen, a constable, produced a warrant he entered No. 336, Hennessy Road, Top Floor, and saw a man telephoning. No radio communication set was found but a notebook containing codes was discovered. A girl on the premises, it was related, admitted that she had, written some of the codes. The girl said that she was engaged at \$100 a month in answer phone calls and relay them to No. 18 Ice House Street, the South Sea Industrial Bank. The messages received mostly concerned exchange quotations.

Inspector Coles, continuing his evidence, said that he visited the bank, where he found first defendant, Yick Chak-wa (26), at the phone. Only code books were discovered. Acting on information, No. 9 Tai Wong Street, was raided by police, who found a radio communication set in working order.

Arrest

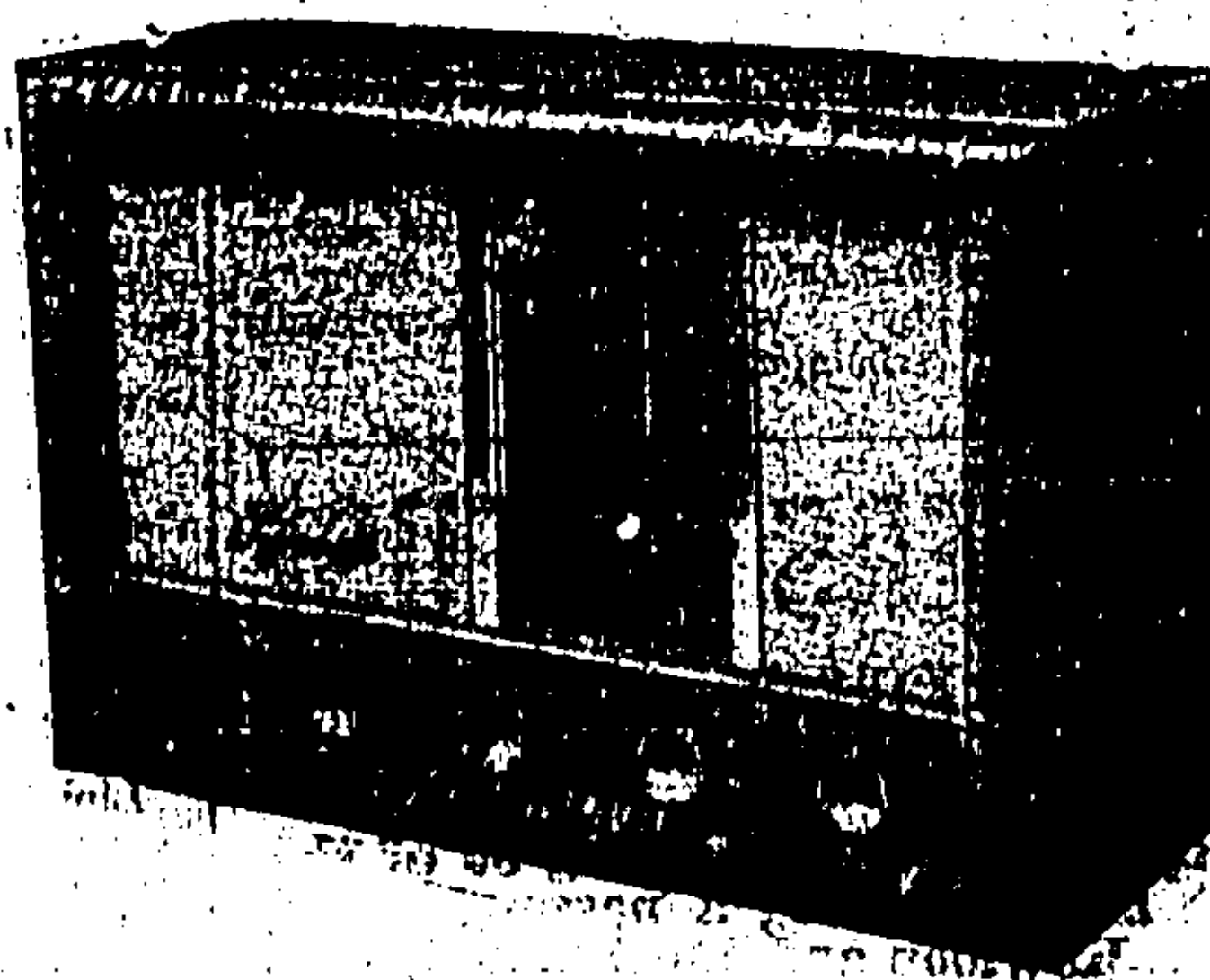
So Man, admitted being the operator, while Wong, who was on the roof, was also arrested. "Kan Tan" in evidence said he occasionally visited No. 9, Tai Wong Street, to assist the girl in taking messages, which usually came from a man named Yick, whom witness could only recognize by his voice, not having seen him.

Radio Inspector D.C. Dickinson described the set to be of 60 volts and having a range of over 1,000 miles.

The Rotary Club of Hong Kong will hold a closed meeting for members only on Tuesday in the Jacobean Room of the Hong Kong Hotel at 12.30 p.m.

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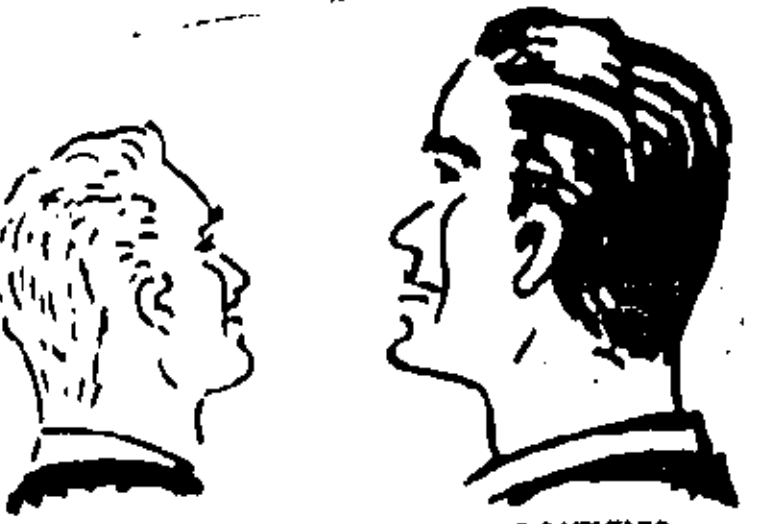
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They Tried
To Blackmail
Lien Hwa

When the Lien Hwa Football Team, with 40 pieces of luggage, arrived alongside the Tsimtsatsui Pier at 5.45 a.m. on Dec. 12, they were accosted by Ma Hing-yuen, Hui Muk, Lam Sai-kwong and Lau Chai-sang, who stated that they held the monopoly for coolie-work on the pier.

If the visitors did not desire these cooler services, they would have to pay them \$1 for each piece of luggage, they said.

One of the four men had actually boarded the motor-bus and was interfering with the luggage when a Radio Car, under Sub-Inspector Dow, arrived.

On the complaint of the footballers, the four coolies were taken to the Tsimtsatsui Police Station.

They were charged before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon Court yesterday with obstruction by loitering.

Inspector J. Orem, prosecuting, explained that, as the Lien Hwa team had already left the Colony, no other charge could be preferred against the accused.

Defendants were fined \$50 or three weeks' hard labour each.

Public Favour
Radio Diffusion

The public's reaction to the proposed system of radio diffusion—relaying broadcast programmes by wire instead of by wireless transmission—is reported to be favourable.

More than 80,000 prepaid postcards, asking the general public for its reaction, have been sent out. The response so far is in favour of the system.

Kowloon has provided the best response, especially from residents in the Shumshupo district who have returned a considerable number of the cards.

Apart from the standard replies received by the radio diffusion company, several people who did not receive cards have written in giving their support and suggestions.

Some 35,000 similar postcards have still to be sent out.

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Mr. Sum Ming Hin	20.00
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H. K. T.

10.30 a.m.—Relay of the Service from St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road. Preacher: The Rev. Mr. J. J. Gaudin.

11.30 a.m.—Liturgy: Spanish Rhapsody. Egon Petri (Piano) & Minuspolis Symphony Orchestra.

11.45 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service "Widener of World".

12.15 p.m.—Wagner's "Kurfürst"—Prälude. Berlin Philharmonic Orch.

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.

12.35 p.m.—A Light Sunday Morning Concert.

1.05 p.m.—News, Weather Report, and Announcements.

1.10 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.

1.15 p.m.—A Programme of Songs.

1.30 p.m.—Music of Saint-Saens.

2.05 p.m.—Close Down.

6.00 p.m.—London Relay: Weekly News Letter.

6.15 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service "The Old Rocking Chair".

6.45 p.m.—Tangoes and Rumbas.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay: World and Home News.

7.15 p.m.—Sir Edward Elgar's "Abridged Version of 'Merrie England'". Sung by the Columbia Light Opera Company.

7.35 p.m.—New Light Symphony Orchestra.

8.30 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service "Orley Farm" by A. J. Apples.

8.50 p.m.—London Relay: News.

9.10 p.m.—Health Report.

9.11 p.m.—ZBW "Piano" No. 19.

9.15 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service: Saint-Saens: Concerto No. 1 in G Minor. Benno Moiseiwitsch and the Philharmonic Orchestra.

9.45 p.m.—Symphony No. 5 in E Flat Major. B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra.

10.30 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service: The Ballad of the Flying Dutchman. The Philharmonic Orchestra.

10.50 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service: The Ballad of the Flying Dutchman. The Philharmonic Orchestra.

11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

CHIEF JUSTICE WARNS
CHINESE PAPER
AND PRESS IN GENERAL

A notice of motion by the Attorney General for a writ of attachment against Wu Chi Mo for contempt of court, was heard before Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chief Justice), at the Supreme Court yesterday. Wu was warned and ordered to pay \$250, costs of the proceedings.

The contempt of court with which Wu was charged concerned an article published in the "Kung Sheung Evening News" on Dec. 5.

It was alleged that Wu published an article on the case of Rex versus Liu Sang, Liu Ming and Lam Cheong, such case being, on the said date, subjudice.

It was also alleged that the item tended to interfere with the due course of justice.

The Hon. Mr. J. B. Griffin, Attorney General, conducted the case for the Crown, while the respondent, Wu Chi Mo, was represented by Mr. C. Y. Kwan of Messrs. C. Y. Kwan & Company.

Mr. Griffin said that a newspaper article which discussed the proceedings which were subjudice could, in certain circumstances, be committing contempt of court.

It could be said that, generally, comments on a case, written and published, spoken or threatened, while it was pending, which prejudiced or contemplated prejudicing any party, the particular paragraphs in a newspaper having that effect, were contempt.

The question in every case was not whether the publication in fact interfered, but whether it tended to interfere, with the due course of justice.

An item which proposed or which suggested that person under arrest had had previous convictions or had a bad reputation or which suggested that a person had an excellent reputation, amounted to comment on proceedings subjudice which was calculated or which tended to interfere with the due administration of justice.

The public mind, which included a trial jury, had information of facts put before it other than the evidence and the direction of the Trial Judge upon trial, the jury must at least be subconsciously influenced one way or the other in regard to an accused person.

It was suggested for a moment that the Press was precluded from making a fair and impartial report of proceedings as they took place; but the report must be a factual account of evidence as it unfolded, fairly and accurately reproduced.

The item fell well outside the limitations imposed by the law and by the need for fairness and justice, upon newspaper commentary on pending cases, he said.

There was an innuendo that the persons on trial were undesirable characters, that they belonged to a society which it was hinted, was a notoriously undesirable one.

Mr. Griffin referred to an English translation of the news item in the "Kung Sheung Evening News" on Dec. 6, which was published contemporaneously with the trial of three men for serious offences—robbery and possession of arms and ammunition.

Mr. Griffin said that the item was an innuendo that the persons on trial were undesirable characters, that they belonged to a society which it was hinted, was a notoriously undesirable one.

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The prisoners were named and incidents at the time of the arrest were quoted and described and, above all, and most important, there was a free and ready account of the undeniability of the characters on trial.

Having regard to the principles quoted there could be no difficulty in finding that a writ of attachment could well and properly be issued.

However, he would like to mention, in extension, that the editor and management of the newspaper had adopted a very proper attitude in the matter and, from the moment that the enormity of the article complained of was brought to their attention, they had published an apology for their action.

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Four Men
And A Car's
Side-Lamp

Dr. S. Y. Ho reported to the Yaumatei Police at 6.30 p.m. on Dec. 9 that a side lamp had been stolen from his car (930) outside 17 Waterloo Road.

Det. 1201 learned from a female street-sleeper (who was paid by Dr. Ho to look after the car) that she saw four Chinese interfering with the car. They told her to keep out of the way.

At 8 p.m. the same day, the detective was walking along Nathan Road when, near Public Square, he saw four Chinese in front of him.

He heard one (Wong Yau) scolding another for being unable to unfasten the screws of car-lamps.

Tears

The second man replied that it was not easy, burst into tears, and fell behind the other three.

Det. 1201 noticed that this man (later treated as a juvenile by Mr. W. H. Latimer) was carrying an instrument up his sleeve and questioned him.

The youth replied that he wanted to fight, adding that one of the three in front took a knife from him and did not give it back to him.

Holding the youth by the arm, the detective caught up with the others, and seized hold of Wong Yau, while the other two ran away.

The two arrested persons brought the Police to a demolished house in Arthur Street where the side lamp, valued at \$25, was dug up.

Wong Yau was sentenced to one year's hard labour and recommended for banishment when he appeared before Mr. W. H. Latimer yesterday. His companion was ordered to receive 10 strokes of the cane and bound over in the sum of \$100 for two years.

Det. Sub-Inspector W. G. Morrison prosecuted.

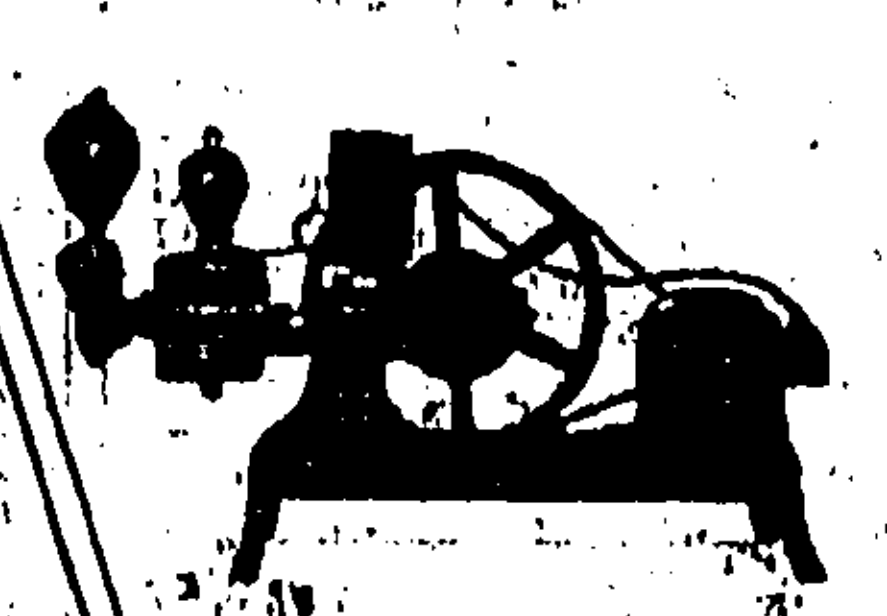
YOUNG CHINESE
WOMAN
LEAPS TO DEATH

A 24-year-old Chinese woman threw herself from the third floor of a house in Cheungshan Road, Kowloon, yesterday morning and was fatally injured.

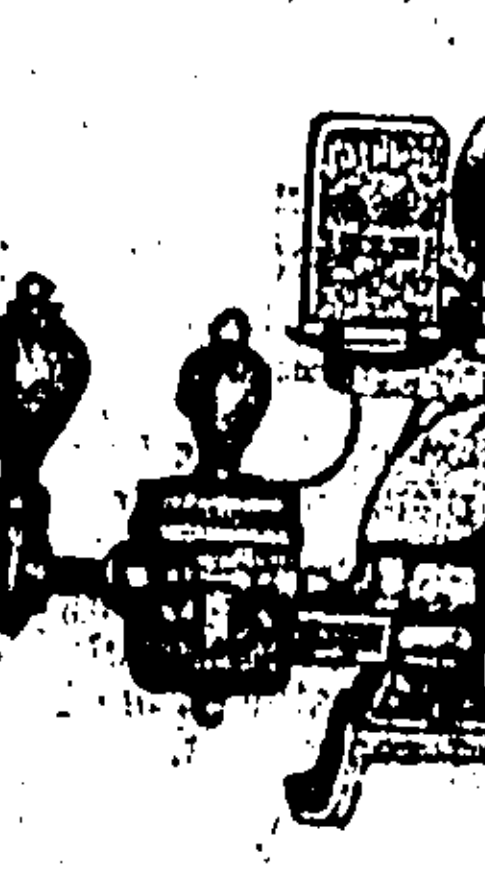
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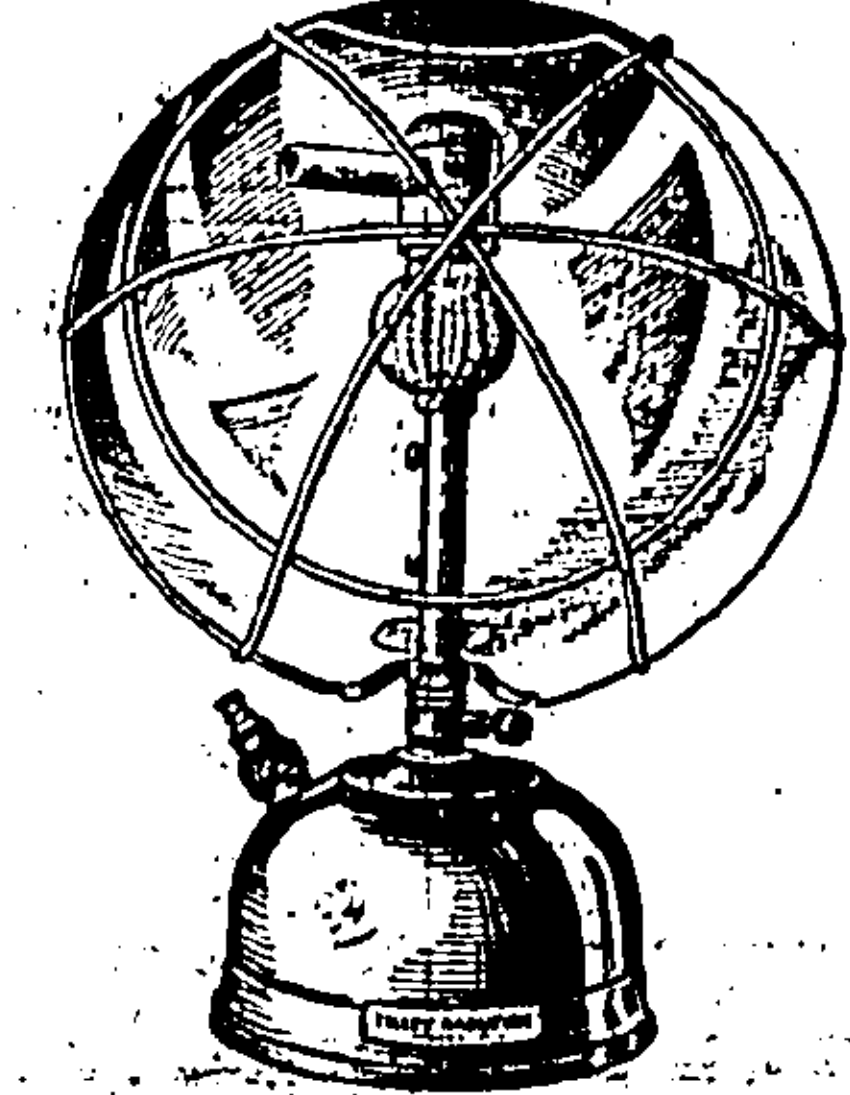
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PALESTINE DEATH-TOLL RISES Angry Arab Mobs Scare Even The Police

U.S. Troops Barred From S'hai Trains

Shanghai, Dec. 13.
The United States Army
has forbidden Army person-
nel to ride on Shanghai and
Nanking trains, presumably
because of the danger of be-
coming involved in any in-
cidents in the event of
Chinese Communists at-
tacking or wrecking trains.
The action came as the
situation in North Kiangsu
—claimed by Nationalist
sources to have been clear-
ed of Communists a year
ago—again became precar-
ious with strong Red units
cutting Government com-
munication lines and at-
tacking and capturing
numerous National strong-
holds.—United Press.

Two Gaoled For Stealing From Godowns

Lam Ching-ho and Chee
Cheng-chun were sentenced to
two years' hard labour and re-
commended for banishment by
Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon
yesterday on the charge of go-
down-breaking.

Det. Sub-Inspector W. J. Wall
stated that a watchman of the
Kowloon Godowns saw two men
waiting outside Godown No. 9, at
3.15 a.m.

When he saw a bundle of cloth
lowered from the window of the
godown, he went up to investi-
gate. The two men ran away.

The watchman made a report to
Mr. Wilkinson and together they
went to Godown No. 9.

There they found that the door
had been broken from the inside
by defendants who admitted that
they hid in the godown the pre-
vious evening.

At the side of the window,
they found two more bolts of
cloth, and a rope leading from
the window to the ground.

Staged Night Raid On Boundary Road Hut

Lam Sul-lam was awakened
at 1.30 a.m. on Dec. 12 by a
noise and saw some persons com-
ing out of his hut at Boundary
Street.

He got out of bed and chased
the intruders but lost sight of
them in the darkness.

Returning to his house, he
found some clothing, cigarettes
and other articles missing.

At 9.40 a.m. he reported to
the Shamshuipo Police. In the
same afternoon, his brother-in-
law, Lau Shing, told him that
some neighbours were saying
that Lam Shing-kwan had some
stuff which might have been
unlawfully obtained.

Together with his brother-in-
law, Lam went to Shing-kwan's
hut, at 9 p.m., where they found
him and Wu Wah-hing looking
over some stolen property.

The complainant asked both
men to accompany him to the
Police Station but they refused.

A quarrel started and was
overheard by Police Constable
584 who went into hut and
brought both parties to the
Station.

Charged with larceny, Lam
was sentenced to 12 strokes of
the cane, with nine months im-
prisonment, breach of an ex-
pulsion order.

He was also recommended for
banishment by Mr. W.A.
Blair-Kerr.

First Post-War Women J.P.'s Gazetted

The names of new Justices of
the Peace—including the first
women J.P.'s appointed since
the war—were published in the
Gazette yesterday.

New Official J.P.'s are: Miss
E. M. Gray and Miss M. Scott
Watson M.B.E.

New Unofficial J.P.'s:— Mrs.
J. J. Adam, Mrs. M. M. Annett,
Miss E. S. Atkins, Mrs. Donald
Black, Mrs. B. E. de V. Booten,
Mrs. M. J. Cassidy, Mrs. Lau
Hong Kwai Chau, Mrs. E. L.
Chau, Dr. (Mrs.) Irene Cheng,
Mrs. Rose Helena Li Chow, Mrs.
J. E. A. Crutwell, Mrs. C.
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Miss Alice Kwoh, Mrs. Li Nancy
Chong, Mrs. Victoria Le, Mrs.
Rose-Louise, Mrs. E. W. Rowe,
Mrs. Dhun Ruttonjee, Tang Pak
Kau, Mrs. T. L. K. Tseung, Mrs.
C. K. H. Tso, Mrs. A. Wake-
field, Dr. (Miss) Catherine Woo
and Mrs. C. W. H. Yee.

Jews Ask RAF To Patrol Roads

Jerusalem, Dec. 13.
In Palestine, where nearly 200 people have been
killed in Arab-Jew clashes in the past 14 days
since the partition decision, reports indicated
that the Haganah, the Jewish defence army,
was mounting its biggest offensive yet.

In the past 24 hours, 37 per-
sons—25 Arabs and 12 Jews—
have been killed, according to
official figures.

Several explosions shook
Jerusalem and hand grenades
thrown by four Jewish boys into
an Arab garage in the centre
of the city injured two people
and damaged a few cars.

The Jewish Agency has asked
for Royal Air Force pro-
tection on all roads in Pale-
stine as a precaution against
Arab attacks.

Arabs Bombed
A bomb exploded near the
Damascus gate of Jerusalem's
old city today, killing four
Arabs and injuring others.

Police opened up with
machine-gun fire over the heads
of milling Arab crowds. Eye-
witnesses said the bomb was
thrown from a Jewish taxi.

Associated Press photographer,
James Pringle, who was at the
scene of the explosion, said that
angry Arab mobs had gathered
in the area and "seem to be
rallying for a march" into the
modern section of Jerusalem.

Police Scared
"Even the police are scared,"
Pringle said. "The dead and
injured are lying in the street
and the police are struggling
with the mob leaders."

It was reported the license
number of the machine from
which the bomb was thrown was
taken down and the vehicle is
being sought.

Almost simultaneous with the
explosion a fire broke out in a
Jewish typewriter firm and liv-
ing quarters in midtown Jaffa
Road, leading to a report that
the bomb had exploded in the

centre of the heavily fortified
post office and police head-
quarters zone.

The report was denied
officially and a spokesman said
the "downtown incident" was
only an ordinary fire.—Reuter
and Associated Press.

MARINE COURT NO LICENCE

Charged on two counts with
not taking out a licence for
his motor junk and with pro-
ducing another licence pur-
porting to belong to his junk,
Fai Kee coxswain, was fined
\$500 or three months when he
pleaded guilty before the
Marine Magistrate, Mr. N.
Garland, yesterday.

Chief Junk Inspector Frank
Brett said that defendant's
licence had been deposited with
the Harbour Office sometime
ago and had not been called
for. The junk proved to be one
of those confiscated by the
Chinese Maritime Customs.

Defendant stated that he
bought the junk about two
months ago and was given the
wrong licence at Tai Kong in
Chinese territory.

Defendant was warned by the
Magistrate that he could be
liable to 12 months' imprison-
ment and also confiscation of
the junk.

WRONG TIME

Charged with leaving the
waters of the colony during
prohibited hours, the master of
a fishing junk was fined \$200 or
two months when he admitted
that offence before the Marine
Magistrate, Mr. N. Garland,
yesterday.

Defendant stated that his
junk was on its way to Shan
Mei but owing to unfavourable
winds, was being tossed about
inside Lyemoon Pass and had
not actually left the harbour.

JURORS' LIST

A list of additional common
jurors is contained in the latest
issue of the Government
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The Gazette contains a new
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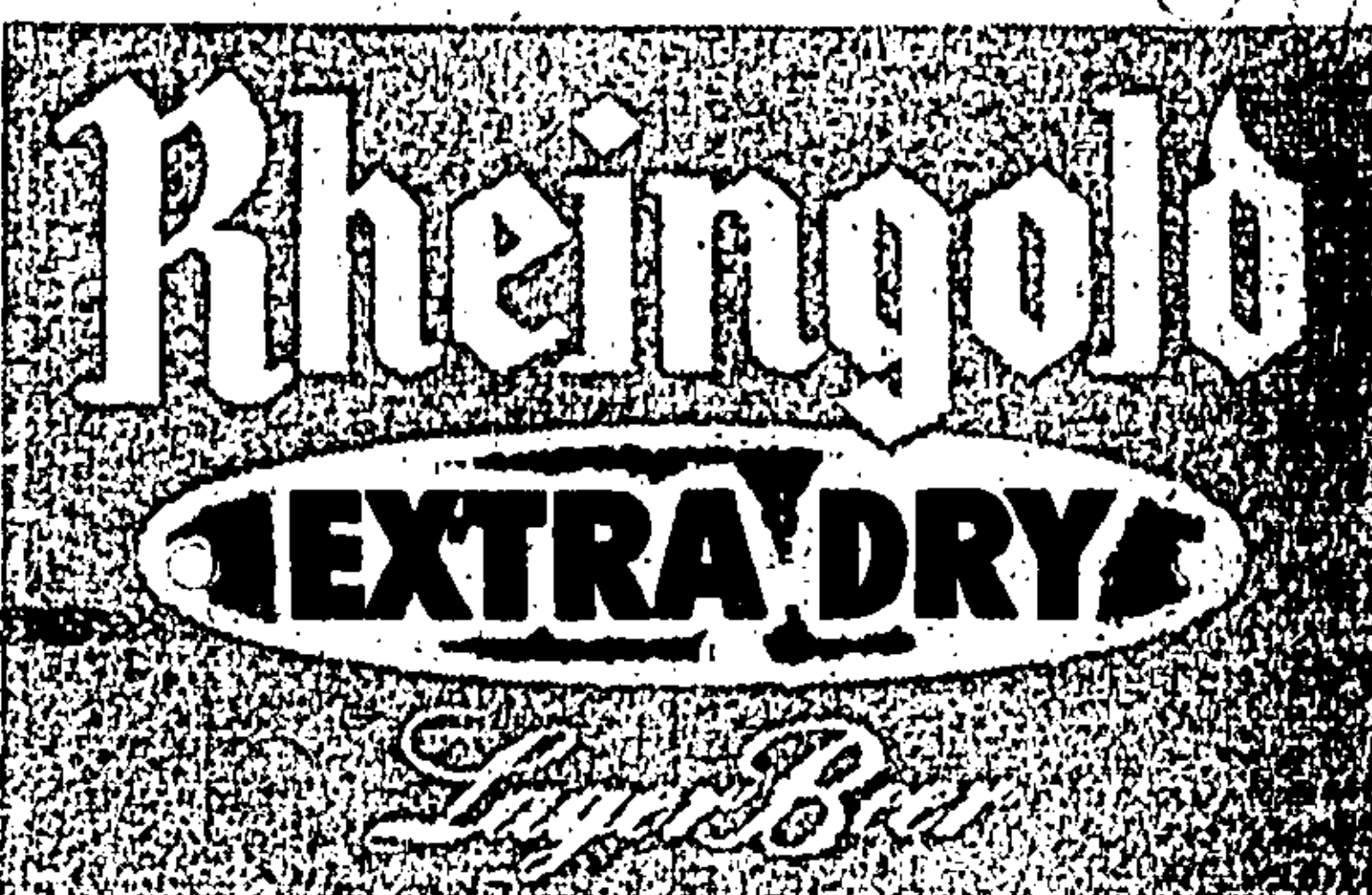
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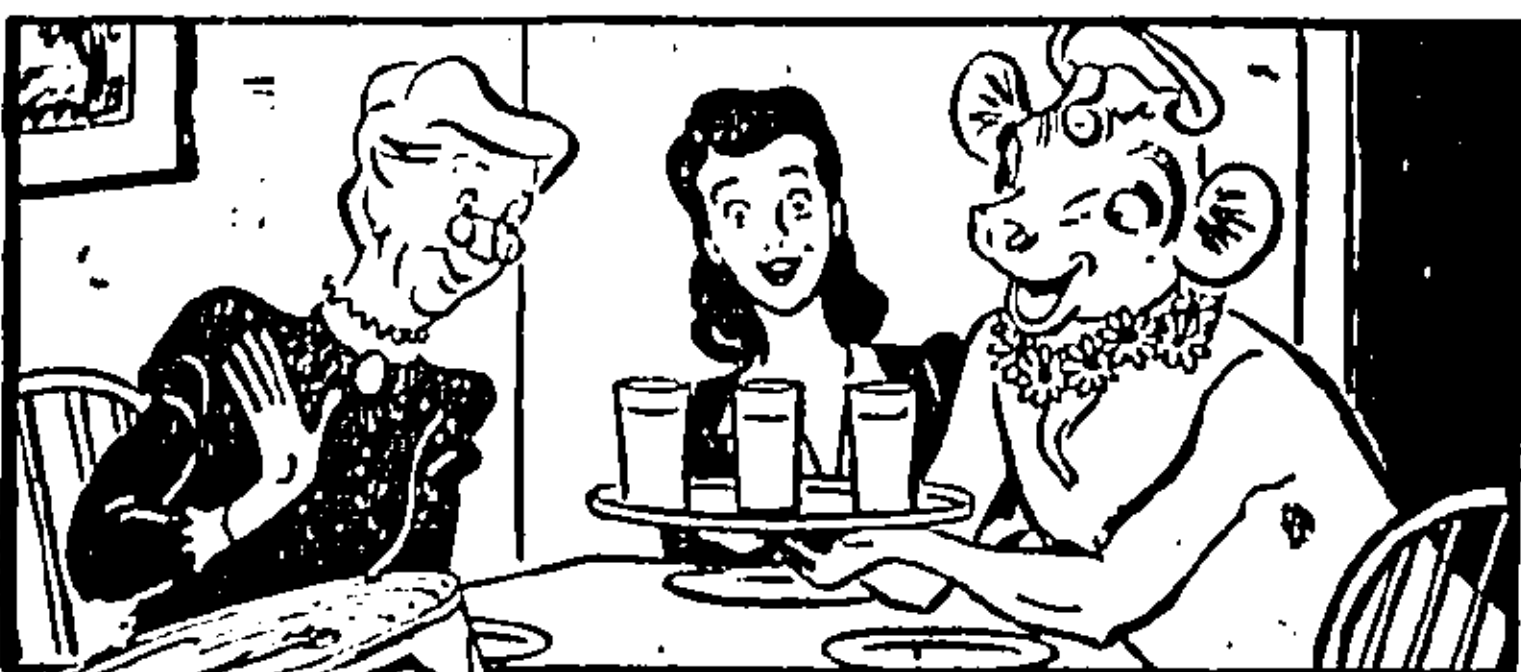
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By ARTHUR GEE

It is time someone raised an eyebrow over the many apparent breaches in the harbour of the "Regulations for the Prevention of Collision at Sea." This remark does not, of course refer to the many merchant ships which arrive and sail daily, but to the smaller craft to whom the same regulations apply. My own particular target at the moment are the coxswains of the "Star" ferries plying across the narrowest part of the harbour and at nearly the maximum speed permissible within port limits, they are called upon to display special scrupulousness for both the spirit and the letter of the law.

On Monday this week, at about 12.30 p.m., I was a passenger on the ferry "Night Star." As we neared the Kowloon wharf, a large cargo junk, under sail came into sight. She was on a westerly course, with a strong wind coming from almost dead astern. The "Night Star" gave one longish blast and held on her course.

ARTICLE 20
The bearing between the two remained constant and it was, therefore, obvious that one or the other would soon have to give way to avoid a collision. For the benefit of landlubbers, I might quote Article 20 of the Regulations:—"When a steam vessel and a sailing vessel are proceeding in such directions as to involve risk of collision, the steam vessel shall keep out of the way of the sailing vessel." Nevertheless, in crowded harbour conditions a certain amount of commonsense is perhaps permissible; although the junk had the right of way, a couple of degrees of port helm would have enabled her to pass under our stern without difficulty and without leaving her course to any appreciable extent for long.

At this juncture, the "Solar Star" took a hand in the proceedings. She slipped from the Kowloon pier, proceeding eastwards just sufficiently to get clear. Then she went hard a-starboard (with an appropriate toot on her siren), right in the path of the junk. The junkmaster was keeping a sharp lookout and went hard a-starboard, too, while one hand rushed forward with a fender, just in case.

TOO MUCH
For a moment or two I thought the junk wouldn't make it. She had averted a collision, but the emergency manoeuvre had been too much for an old woman tending the main sheets and as the huge sail swung over, these fouled. The junk, its sail still full of wind, heeled over like a racing yacht. Fortunately, the wind held steady; an extra puff and she would have probably rolled right over.

By this time, both ferries had gone past. All way was off the junk, whose bows were pointed straight at the pier. For some reason—probably because she had no foresail set and the press of wind was still too great on her reefed mainsail—she would not answer the helm at first. The forecastle hand picked up an oar and tried to help her round, and eventually the junk paid off and resumed her journey down the harbour.

As we jostled to go ashore, I bumped into a friend who had been a passenger aft. "Did you see the episode with the junk?" I asked. "Yes, I did," he replied. "They were lucky. If I were that junkman I'd run the 'Solar Star' coxswain in." Were this an isolated incident, it could be passed off as just one of those occasional errors in judgment we all make. But this is not the case; incidents like this happen far too frequently—indeed, several of us who are interested in nautical matters make it almost a hobby to watch out

for them, if only to break the monotony of four trips across per diem.

STRICT LETTER

So far as I can see, the ferry coxswains have learned Art. 19 off by heart—"When two steam vessels are crossing so as to involve risk of collision, the vessel which has the other on her starboard side shall keep out of the way of the other"—and insist on applying this to all craft of equal or smaller size, whether under steam, motor or sail. They do not insist on it when it comes to something like a liner or destroyer.

So keen are they on the strict letter of this rule that—and I am not the only one to notice this—they often increase speed (a breach of Art. 21) when it is obvious that the vessel which normally should give way will be able to cross ahead of them without difficulty and without either having to alter course.

Although it is not laid down in the regulations, common courtesy at least makes it customary for one to give way to a tug and its tow, or to other hampered vessels, especially if this does not involve any radical alteration in course. Only once in the past fortnight have I seen a ferry extend this courtesy. On the other hand, I have, several times, seen a coxswain insist on his rights and cause no inconsiderable inconvenience to another launch and its tow.

DUE REGARD

While it is true that Art. 21 lays down that "where by any of these rules one of two vessels is to keep out of the way, the other shall keep her course and speed," port conditions make Arts. 27 and 29 even more important. The former lays down that "in obeying and constraining these rules, due regard shall be had to all dangers of navigation and collision, and to any special circumstances which may render a departure from the above rules necessary in order to avoid immediate danger." The latter stresses that "nothing in these rules shall exonerate any vessel from the consequences of any neglect... of any precaution which may be required by the ordinary practice of seamen, or by the special circumstances of the case."

It might be argued that ferries have to move in as direct a line as possible between termini if they are to maintain schedules, especially during the rush hour, and that this would be impossible if they were to give way to every junk, sampan and tug in the harbour. That may be so—but I wonder what the Traffic Department ashore would say to a bus driver who put that forward as an excuse for crossing a busy thoroughfare against the red light?

Poser

Talking about the ferries, did you know every passenger breaks rule 1? The bylaw stipulates that no one shall "board or alight from a ferry while in motion." If one is not in motion, how the deuce does one board or alight?

Improbable Cases

Scarpe v. The Governor, Financial Secretary and Superintendent of Sewage. HKSI, Dec. 18, 1930. Before Mr. Justice Twiddle. Mr. Benjamin Battledore, KC, appeared for the plaintiff; defendants were represented by Mr. Jeremiah Fiddle. Opening his case, Mr. Battledore said the facts were simple. His client, Mr. Nicodemus Scarpe, was asking for liquidated damages, both substantial and exemplary, to be awarded by way of compensation for the death of his son as

a result of certain actions by Servants of the Government.

Perseus Scarpe, the boy in question, was a young man of 17, on the threshold of manhood. On June 12, 1929, he formed part of a crowd which gathered outside the Sewage Works, to watch a large concrete pipe being loaded onto a lorry. The hoist broke and the pipe fell to the ground. A piece of it snapped off and, hurtling through the air, hit the said Perseus Scarpe on the head and killed him. Accordingly, his father was now asking for damages.

"That, M'Lud, is my case," said Mr. Battledore, and sat down. An embarrassed silence followed. Eventually, Mr. Justice Twiddle spoke.

"I don't understand, Mr. Battledore," he said. "Am I to gather that you are calling on witnesses to substantiate your claim?"

Mr. Battledore beamed. "That is so, M'Lud," he said, rising again. "I propose to deal with that very point in my summing up."

Mr. Justice Twiddle looked even more puzzled. "I still cannot understand you, Mr. Battledore," he complained. "Surely I do not have to remind you of the old tag affirmant non neganti incumbit probatio— which, for the benefit of the Gentlemen of the Press, may be translated as 'the point in issue is to be proved by the party who asserts the affirmative'?"

"Indeed not, M'Lud," replied Mr. Battledore. "But as I shall subsequently show, it would appear that it is now the custom to disregard that ancient rule. For obvious reasons, however, I would prefer to deal with this point later. I think my learned friend, Mr. Fiddle, concurs that the basic facts of the case are so little in dispute that they might almost be taken as agreed upon."

"I do nothing of the sort, M'Lud!" interjected Mr. Fiddle. "Oh, but you do, really," responded Mr. Battledore, sweetly. "Surely Mr. Fiddle can best answer for himself," said Mr. Justice Twiddle.

"Not necessarily, M'Lud," said Mr. Battledore. "It might be a case of non videtur qui errant consensio—which, following Your Lordship's example, I will translate for the benefit of the Gentlemen of the Press as 'they do not appear to consent who, make a mistake!'"

ATTEMPTS WERE MADE

"M'Lud, if I might be heard for a moment—"Mr. Fiddle appeared to be about to explode. He controlled himself with an effort. "Before this case came before you, attempts were made to arrive at some suitable and equitable settlement out of Court. My clients have every sympathy with anyone who may suffer from the wrongful actions of our Servants. Where necessary, we are always prepared to make suitable recompense."

"Mr. Battledore has said the facts are agreed upon. This is not strictly true. We agree, for instance, that there was a crowd outside the Sewage Works on the day in question; we agree that this crowd was watching the loading of the pipe; furthermore, we agree that at a crucial moment the hoist broke, that the pipe fell to the ground, that a fragment was broken off, and that... this fragment did apparently land somewhere within the crowd. If someone within that crowd was injured, we are prepared to pay suitable recompense for the accident."

"But, M'Lud, it has not been proved that Perseus, son of Nicodemus Scarpe, was in that crowd. In point of fact, it has not even been proved that such a person as Perseus Scarpe

exists—or did exist, perhaps I should say, at the material time. It was not until later that Mr. Scarpe put forward his request for damages. He has refused to furnish us with proof that the boy was, in fact, injured and died, in truth, die. We have been refused permission to view the body or examine the alleged fatal wound. Mr. Scarpe seemed to think his bare word was sufficient."

LAW LEXICON

"My clients are forebearing and reasonable. They showed him a copy of Wharton's Law Lexicon and drew his attention to the words on page 468:—"It is a general principle of the law of evidence that if any fact is to be proved against anyone, it ought to be proved in his presence by the testimony of a witness sworn to speak the truth; and the reason of the rule is, that the person who is to be affected by the evidence ought to have an opportunity of interrogating the witness as to his means of knowledge, and concerning the particulars of his statement."

"Mr. Scarpe laughed and said that that was out of date. He then left, stating he would put the matter in the hands of his lawyers. Mr. Battledore has proved equally unhelpful in providing us with information as to the subject matter of his claim. He insists that we are agreed on the very facts which are in dispute, and we are unable to get anything further from him than that. Had I not had the pleasure of crossing swords with him in previous cases and admired his forensic skill, I would have said we had some impostor before us. As it is, I can but wonder if the climate has not proved too trying for such an elderly gentleman."

Mr. Justice Twiddle looked stern. "Mr. Battledore seemed in full possession of his faculties when he bent me at chess in the club last night! I cannot help feeling there is more to it than that. Mr. Battledore, I think you had better explain yourself before I feel myself constrained to cite you for contempt."

TEST CASE

"My Lord, My Lord"—Mr. Battledore clucked his tongue—"I assure you I have nothing but the highest respect for this Court and, if I may say so, for Mr. Fiddle as well. As Your Lordship has surmised, this is rather in the nature of a test case, brought by Mr. Scarpe not only as a grieving father but also as a public-minded citizen. I think it may therefore be necessary for Your Lordship to state a special case."

"The question is, whether the actions of a Government do, or not, establish a custom which can be accepted by Courts of Law. Custom may be defined, in the words of 'Les Termes de la Ley,' to be a law or right not written which, being established by right use and consent of our ancestors, has been and daily is put into practice. As Tindal, C.J. pointed out in 'Lockwood v. Wood' (6 QB 50) it is 'in effect the Common Law within that place to which it extends although contrary to the General Law of the Realm'."

"Are you suggesting, Mr. Battledore, that you can claim precedent for the unusual manner of presenting your case?" "That is my submission, M'Lud. I base it on two actions taken by this Government some 33 or 34 years ago, and fully reported in the Press at the time. In the first of these, a hawk was killed and a policeman charged. While this case was still pending, the Government gave the deceased's family \$10,000."

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MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE

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HONG KONG DELEGATE RETURNS

Mr. M. K. Lo, who was Hong Kong's chief representative on the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, returned by air on Wednesday from the Philippines where he attended a two-week conference of the Commission. During the first week, members of the meeting held a number of political disputes over the membership of Siam, Indonesia and various other proposed Associate memberships. They then settled down to business, formed two committees and worked through the week until the agenda was completed. One resolution which was passed unanimously, and which affects Hong Kong particularly, was brought forward by the Indian delegate, appealing to all cereal producing countries and to the Food and Agriculture body of UNO to try ways and means of reducing the price of exported rice etc. which is bought by Hong Kong and similar cereal importing areas. It is Mr. Lo's belief that no reduction can be hoped for but that production countries will in view of the resolution reaching UNO, hesitate a long time before raising prices further if this was their intention. The next meeting of ECAFE, as the Commission is called, will take place between May and July next year in India.

NEW YORK CLINIC VISIT

Dr. H. Talbot, who left Hong Kong at the beginning of last month to attend the Julius Lempert clinic in New York, returned by air yesterday. Dr. Talbot has been studying a new technique for the treatment of certain types of deafness which are used in the Lempert clinic.

OUR IMPORTANT VISITORS

Hong Kong received a first visit from three eminent men representing the Colonial Office, the Army and the Air Force on Wednesday. The Right Hon. Malcolm Macdonald, Governor General of British South East Asia who flew here from Singapore became Governor General in June last year. Son of the late Mr. Ramsey Macdonald, he began his career just twenty years ago as a member of the London County Council. In 1927, he became a Labour Member of Parliament and retained his membership until 1946. During that time he held the following posts—Under Secretary, Dominions Office in 1931 until 1935, Secretary of State for Dominions Affairs between 1935 and 1939, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs between 1939 and 1940/41, Minister of Health 1940/41, U.K. High Commissioner in Canada between 1941 and 1946. Aged 46, and married, Mr. Macdonald's main hobbies are ornithology, collecting, and his favourite recreation is skiing.

Second of the visitors, Air Marshal Sir Hugh P. Lloyd, KBE, CBE, is Air Commander in Chief for the Far East. The 51-year-old Air Marshal is senior instructor of the Imperial Defence College. During the first World War he served with the Army and the R.A.F. when he was awarded the D.F.C. and M.C. In the last war he became Air

A.D.C. to the King. He has also been awarded two foreign decorations—the French Legion of Honour, and the American Order of Legion of Merit.

Major General L.H. Cox, who also flew to Hong Kong is G.O.C. Singapore area. Son of a Gloucestershire doctor, and educated at Lancing College and the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, he began his army career as a second lieutenant in 1912 at the age of 19. He served in the European war, when he was awarded the M.C. and in the Iraq operations in 1940/41. He became Lieut. Col. commanding the 2nd Batt. Gloucestershire Regiment in 1935 and in 1938 was in charge of the Malta Infantry Brigade.

400 FOOD PARCELS

Members of the Hong Kong public who send food parcels to England through this Cook's office will be interested to know that to reduce costs and provide more expeditious delivery of parcels, the scheme whereby standard parcels have been sent in bulk to London from Australia, has now materialised with the recent despatch of 100,000 parcels. Each one, costing ten dollars, consists of 1 tin camp pie, 1 tin pastry mixture, 2 tin beef steak pudding, 1 tin steak and kidney pudding and 1 tin beef dripping.

STRATHNAVER PASSENGERS

Headed by Capt. Wong Yue Ching, a Chinese air mission consisting of 13 members arrived in Hong Kong from England on the Strathnaver on Wednesday. They were met here by Col. Irwin Wen Kwang who had travelled from Canton to greet them on their arrival. Col. Kwang is a member of the Commission of Aeronautical Affairs in Nanking. The air mission, which has been studying for some months British aeronautical achievements, left for Shanghai in the Marine Adler which sailed on Friday morning.

Also returning from England on the Strathnaver were seven Chinese professors and students who have been doing research work in the U.K. through arrangements with the British Council. They left Hong Kong yesterday morning in the Shengking for Shanghai and other parts of North China.

HERE AND THERE

Mrs. Livingston Farrand, who has been staying as a house guest of Mr. and Mrs. C.V. Starr, intends to return to the U.S.A. on December 17. Mrs. Farrand arrived here about three weeks ago.

Mr. C. Briordy, of the Hong Kong Hotel Garage in Stubbs Road left during the week by Pan American aircraft for San Francisco where he will visit the Sudebner factory there with the object of obtaining practical experience of the business. He is expected to return to Hong Kong in February. Mrs. Briordy, who is Secretary to Mr. C.V. Starr, has remained in the Colony.

Mr. and Mrs. L.C. Billinghamurst, of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire in Shanghai, who have been spending a short holiday in Hong Kong, where Mr. Billinghamurst has renewed many old friendships, returned to Shanghai in the Pakhol. Mr. Billinghamurst was formerly stationed in Hong Kong but was in Tientsin at the time of the Japanese declaration of war and was interned at Wel-hien, Shantung.

Supt. George Wright-Nooth, of the Hong Kong Police, who has been on leave in England is expected back in the Lancashire due on the 20th.

Mr. C.C. Stark, who has been back for some months will be joined by his wife on the arrival of the Lancashire.

Mr. William (Bill) O'Neill, Reuters Far East Manager, who is well known in the Colony, passed through on his way back to Shanghai from Manila and Saigon during the week and left here on Thursday by air.

Another press correspondent, Mr. Walter B. Sharrad, of the "Neuer Zuecher" of Zurich who has been visiting the Colony recently, left yesterday for Saigon by air. He will return here later on his way to back Peiping where he is at present stationed.

About This And That

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"Was not that perilously close to contempt of Court?" asked Mr. Justice Twiltle.

"I would have thought so, M'Lord, but in fact no action was taken. The point to note, however, is that the Court subsequently found the policeman not guilty. The result was that the Master had paid compensation for a wrongful act by its servant which, by the Court verdict, he did not commit."

MORE IN POINT

"The second case is even more in point. As a result of certain alarming activity, one of the Border Guard outposts was alerted. This, in Army language, was 'done at the double,' and for some reason a shot was accidentally fired. Later, it was alleged that a man in the crowd on the other side of the border had been killed by this errant bullet."

"Permission to view the body was turned down, even in the face of rumours that the alleged death was of a different calibre to that used in the Border Guard's rifle. Despite the fact that the only evidence of death was by hearsay from not unbiased witnesses, and despite the fact, too, that under the circumstances refusal of permission to view the body was extremely suspicious, the Government once again paid \$10,000 to the alleged relatives of the allegedly dead man."

"With these two cases as a precedent, it seems to me that the defendants in this present case have no alternative but to make a similar payment to Mr. Scarpe. They are not entitled to take into consideration whether or not their servants were at fault, nor to require anything further than a bare statement from Mr. Scarpe himself, as to the death of his son."

PRECEDENT

Mr. Fiddle rose to his feet hastily to protest, but was

EN ROUTE FOR SAIGON

Two young women stage artists, Miss Dolores Gregory and Miss Donna Murphy, who arrived in Hong Kong recently from Japan are leaving the Colony today aboard the Empire Park for Saigon. For over a year they were in Tokyo training Japanese women modern theatre entertainment.

CHINESE AMBASSADOR

Mr. Lo Kar Lun, 56-year-old Chinese Ambassador to India, passed through the Colony last week on his way back to Delhi. Mr. Lo was returning after a short visit to Nanking for the presentation of his report.

RECORD TRIP

A fast trip, which probably constitutes a record, was made by the Skyways, which left here on Tuesday and arrived in the U.K. two days later. Two night stops were made at Karachi and Malta and the passengers consisted of 11 members of the crew of the a.s. Cloverlock.

SARATOGA TRUNK

Footloose acting, an unusual story and a dash of comedy, are the highlights of the film "Saratoga Trunk" which will be showing at the Queen's Theatre early in the New Year. It is a German, of a rich husband, reeler, and Gary Cooper, as a Texas gambler, both give brilliant performances in the film which is expertly directed by Sam Wood. Some of the line-light is stolen from La Bergman in the film by her two servants, one of whom is Flora Robson.

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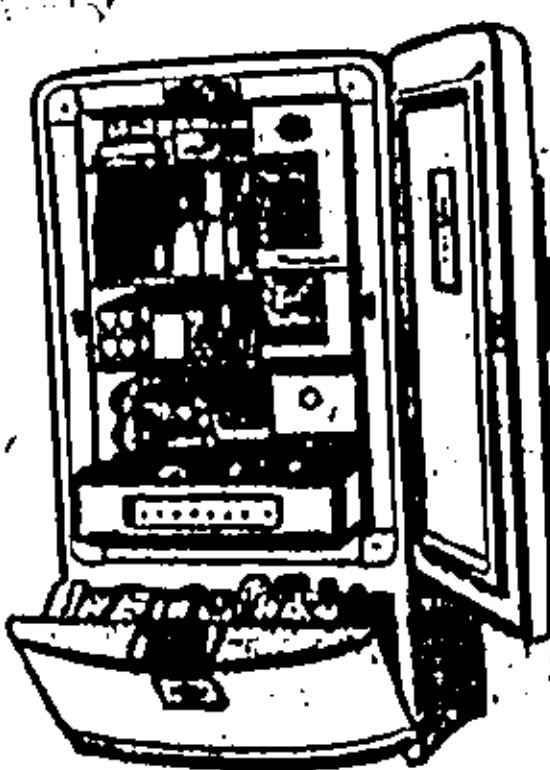
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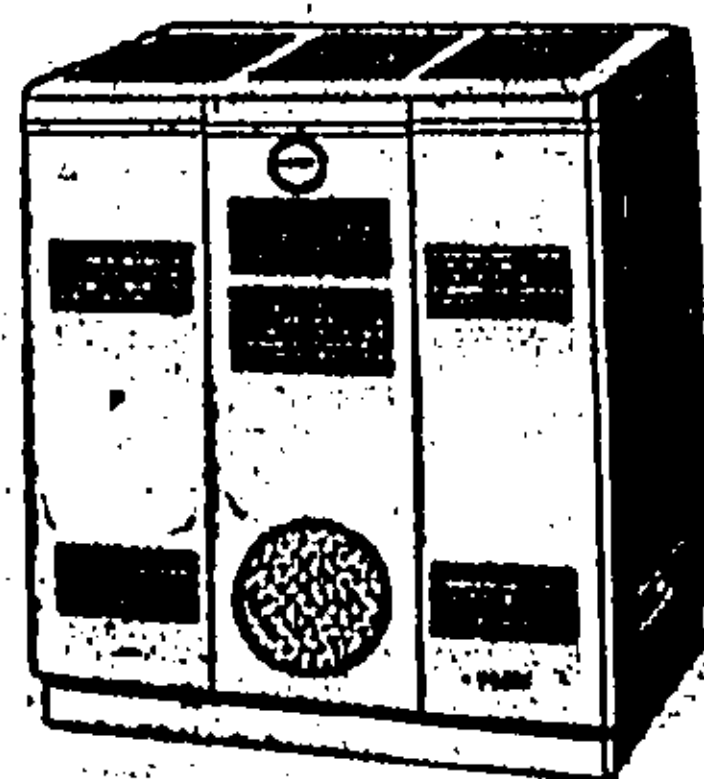
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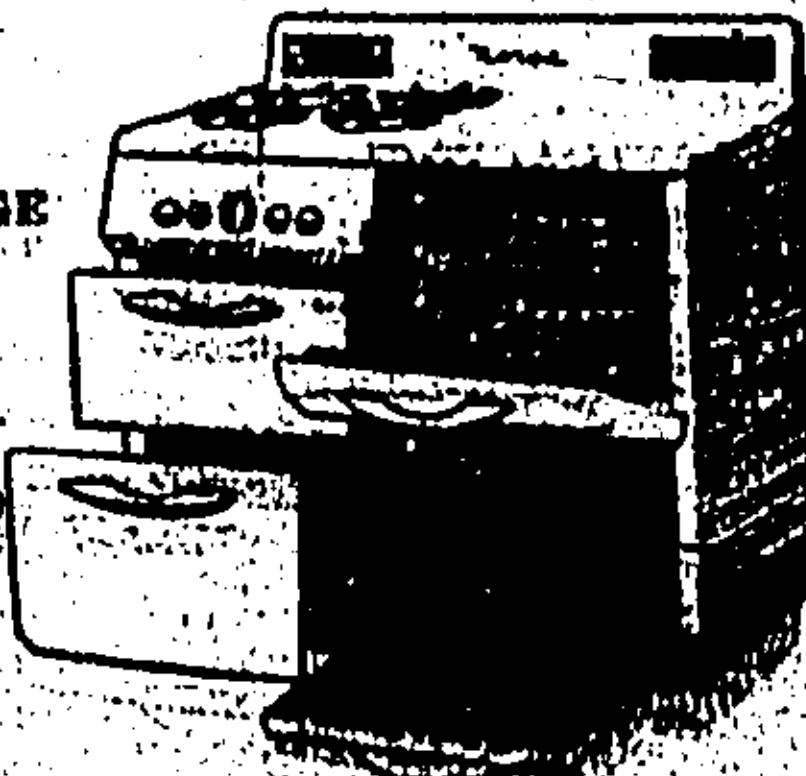
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By HOLT

ANGLO-CHINESE FRIENDSHIP Common Deals Of Two Countries Great Role In East Asia

London, Dec. 13.

"I would ask Dr. Wu, when he returns to his own country, to convey the most earnest sympathy from Britain to China. He should let all know that we people in Britain will do all we can toward helping them to solve their present difficulties."

So spoke Mr. A. V. Alexander, Minister of Defence, in thanking Dr. Wu Shang-yin, Secretary-General of the Legislative Yuan and head of the Legislative delegation to Britain, for his address on "The Chinese Constitution and Government Machine" which he delivered at the China Institute.

The lecture was given under the auspices of the Universities China Committee. Mr. Alexander, who has visited China, paid a very high tribute to Dr. Wu when introducing the speaker. As an old friend, whose acquaintance he had made in 1920, Mr. Alexander stressed how his visit to Britain was doubly welcomed. "Dr. Wu is one of the principal architects of the new Chinese Constitution and this Christmas Day, when the Constitution will come into force, will be auspiciously linked with his name," he said.

Deep Sympathy

Britain felt deeply sympathetic over China's efforts towards reconstruction and constitution building. These were slow processes but they were glad of having been given the opportunity of showing a visiting delegation, at this significant moment, Britain's method of administration.

Some constitutions were written and some were not. Some were like bound volumes, but that of Britain was like a loose leaf ledger in which the pages could be changed to meet new conditions. It was the ideal which counted, and where these were well founded, governing problems would eventually be righted. It was because of this, he felt, that the Constitution in China would prove a success, for in China there was the same strong feeling as in Britain over the sanctity of person. It was this which led to readiness to compromise and to see the other man's view.

A Good Augury

"China has a great role to play in East Asia," emphasised Mr. Alexander, "for if China has peace there will be peace there." Britain had been proud to fight

alongside China, for China had been the first to fight in the last great world war, for that had really started when Japan had launched her vicious attack on China in 1937.

"I earnestly hope that the bonds which grew strong between our two countries during the war will be made permanent by our common ideals, and expanded and consolidated," he declared.

Dr. Wu said he saw in Mr. Alexander's presence, a good augury for China, as it was an occasion for meeting old friends and one could speak to friends knowing that there would be understanding.

Dr. Wu then ably outlined how the present Constitution had gradually developed under the impact of Western influences. He pointed out the tremendous advance, which was marked by one of the world's oldest civilisations holding modern elections in which every one of its citizens was given the right to vote.

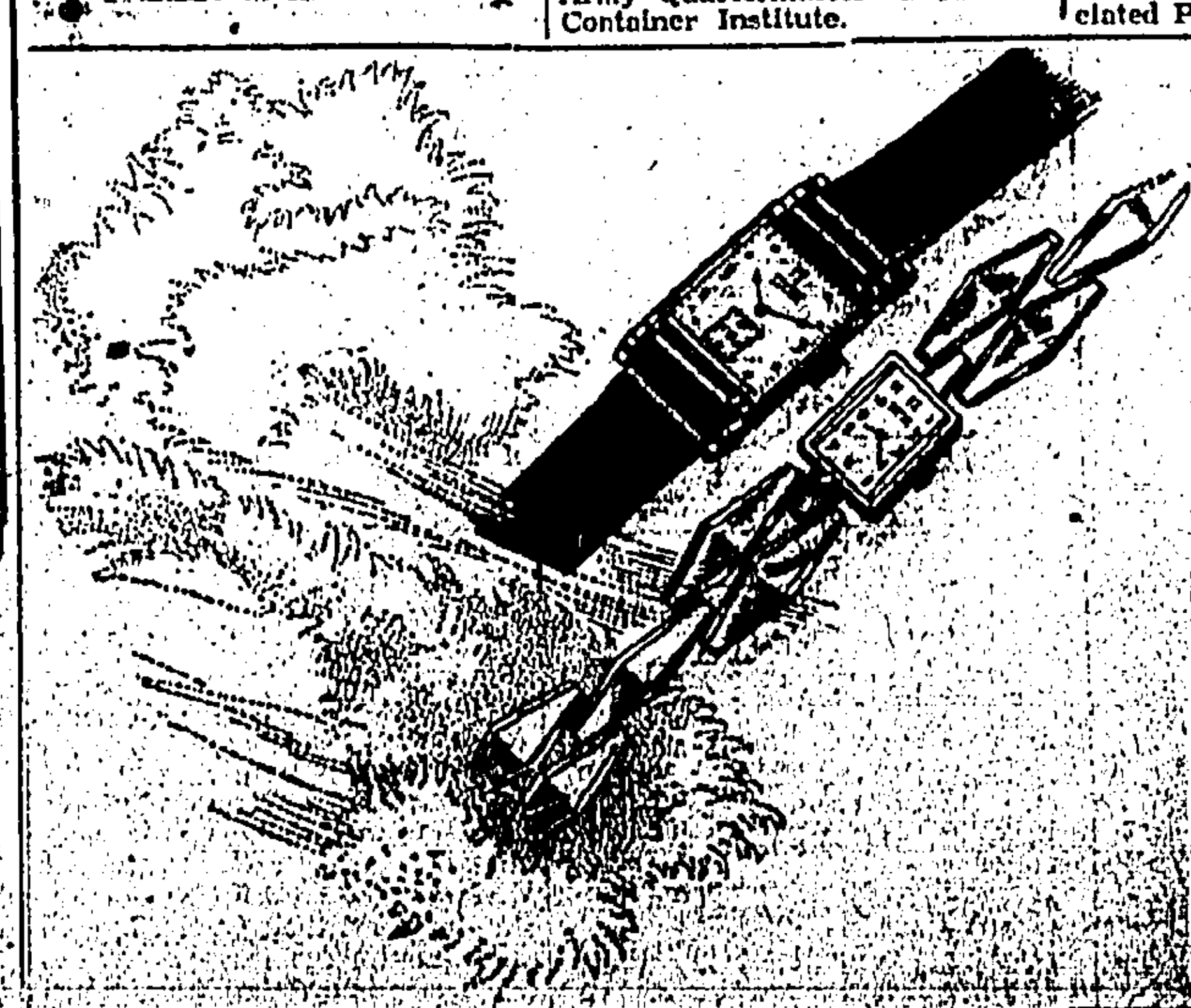
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"How much happiness and prosperity China will enjoy arising from this only time will tell, but this does not lessen the fact that through this process, the people of China will learn of their democratic rights under the Constitution. Naturally, mistakes cannot be avoided, but advancement can only come from learning by experience. By doing so, China should eventually rise to enjoy full peace and happiness," concluded Dr. Wu.

Dr. Cheng Tien-hsi, the Chinese Ambassador, at the conclusion of the proceedings, expressed very warm thanks to Mr. Alexander for having presided. The adopting of a modern Constitution by a quarter of the people of the world, he said, was an event which could be ignored, but it carried special significance for Great Britain, which was the mother of parliament.

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WEST POINT OF CHINA

Nanking, Dec. 13.
Hankow has been selected as the site of China's new military academy which will be modelled on West Point.

A group of officers, headed by Colonel Yeh Ku-min, will proceed to Hankow shortly to make the necessary preparations for the setting up of the academy, which will be located in the premises of the Hankow branch of the Central Training Corps. — Reuter-AAP.

British Officers Ejected

Berlin, Dec. 13.

Major-General Herbert, British Commandant of Berlin, protested in the Allied Kommandatura today against the expulsion of two British political officers from a meeting in the Russian sector of Berlin yesterday of the Executive Committee of the Christian Democrat Union.

General Herbert described the expulsion, which was carried out on the orders of the Soviet officer present, as "incorrect, discourteous and incompatible with the spirit of the occupation."

The Russian action was contrary to the principle that Allied officers should be allowed to attend any Berlin political meeting.

The Soviet Commandant of Berlin replied that the meeting from which the British officers were excluded was purely a Soviet Zone matter.

As such, he said, the principle that officers of any Allied power has the right to attend did not arise. — Reuter.

BANGALORE CLASH

Bangalore, Dec. 13.

A curfew was today imposed on part of Bangalore City after clashes between Hindus and Moslems, in which several people were injured by stones, and shops were looted. — Reuter.

Protein And Starch Most Important

New York, Dec. 13.

A nutrition expert says a person survived without too great discomfort on a diet containing only about one-fourth of what is considered the normal number of calories.

Sixteen men consumed only 900 calories of food apiece for 40 days. They still were strong enough to play, plug pump and bench press, and to talk about beefsteaks perpetually. Dr. David Schwimmer of the New York Medical College reported.

The experiments were carried out by the Metropolitan Research Unit of the College to determine a stable life raft diet for the Army Quartermaster Food and Container Institute.

Dr. Schwimmer said the experiment showed the weight and caloric content of a diet are less important than its fat, protein and starch components. — Associated Press.

Haganah Mounts Offensive

Jerusalem, Dec. 12.

Haganah, the Jewish defence army, is mounting its biggest offensive yet against Arabs, with countrywide attacks on transport in which, so far, 13 Arabs are estimated killed.

Twelve Arabs were officially reported killed and six injured when Jews, armed with hand-grenades and tommy guns, attacked Tzich village, near Haifa, last night.

In the past 24 hours 37 persons—25 Arabs and 12 Jews—were killed, according to official figures.

The Jewish Agency today asked for Royal Air Force protection on all roads in Palestine as a precaution against Arab attacks.

The Agency spokesman told a press conference that if the Palestine Government wanted to discharge its security responsibilities to the full, it could send up air patrols and put thousands of armed troops on the roads.

Three were reported killed and others missing after Arabs today attacked a British airlines automobile travelling with passengers from Lydda airport to Jerusalem. The nationality of the victims is not yet known.

New fighting started in the bloody Tel Aviv-Jaffa No Man's Land when the Arabs attacked a British defence post. Firing continued for two hours with rifles and automatic weapons before the Arabs withdrew to Jaffa. One British soldier was killed. Arab casualties were undetermined. — Reuter and United Press.

Tube Extended To Woodford

London, Dec. 13.

London's biggest railway development for 15 years—the £3 million central line tube extension from Leytonstone to Newbury Park and Woodford—was opened today.

It will be open to the public on Sunday giving service to 120,000 people in Hford, Wanstead, Eastern Avenue and Epping Forest areas.

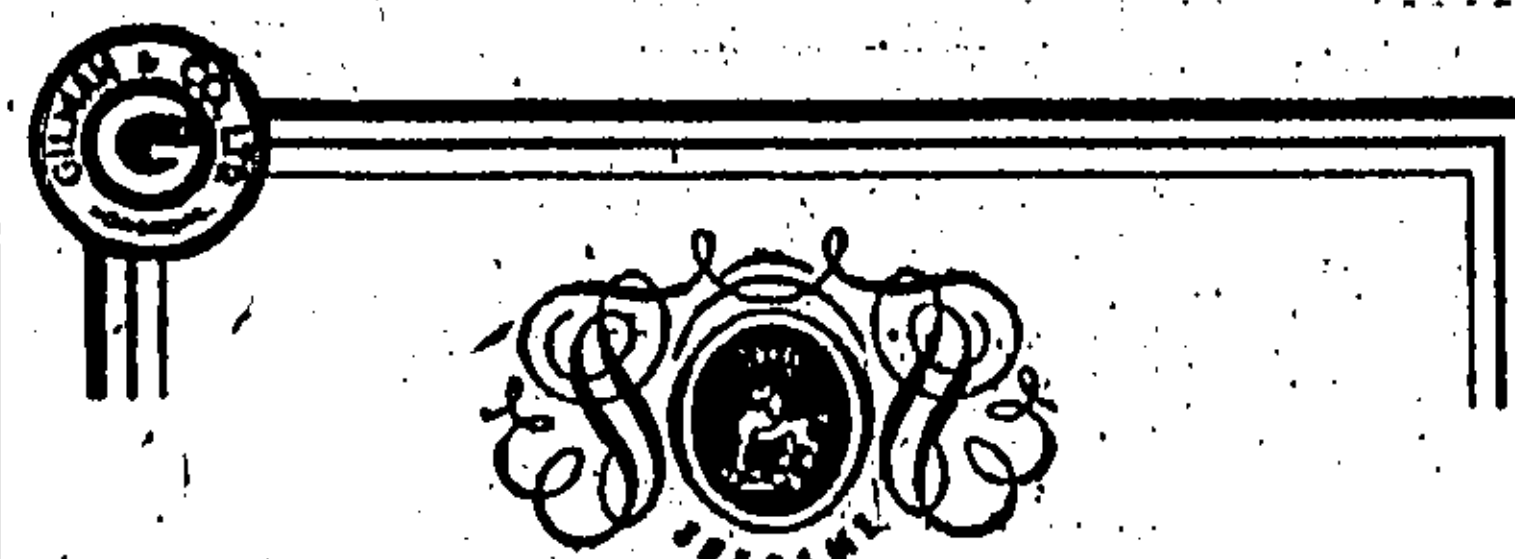
The new extension consists of two new branches—four miles from Leytonstone, to Wanstead, Redbridge, Gants Hill and Newbury Park, and three miles from Leytonstone to Snodsworth, South Woodford, over electrified LNER tracks.

There will be a combined service on the two sections of more than 700 trains daily, with two-way service with trains every three and a half to four minutes on each line. — Reuter.

WAR MAPS FOR CHRISTMAS

London, Dec. 13.

War maps are popular Christmas presents in Britain—the wives of men who had served overseas are buying framed maps of war areas in the Middle and Far East for their husbands. — Reuter.

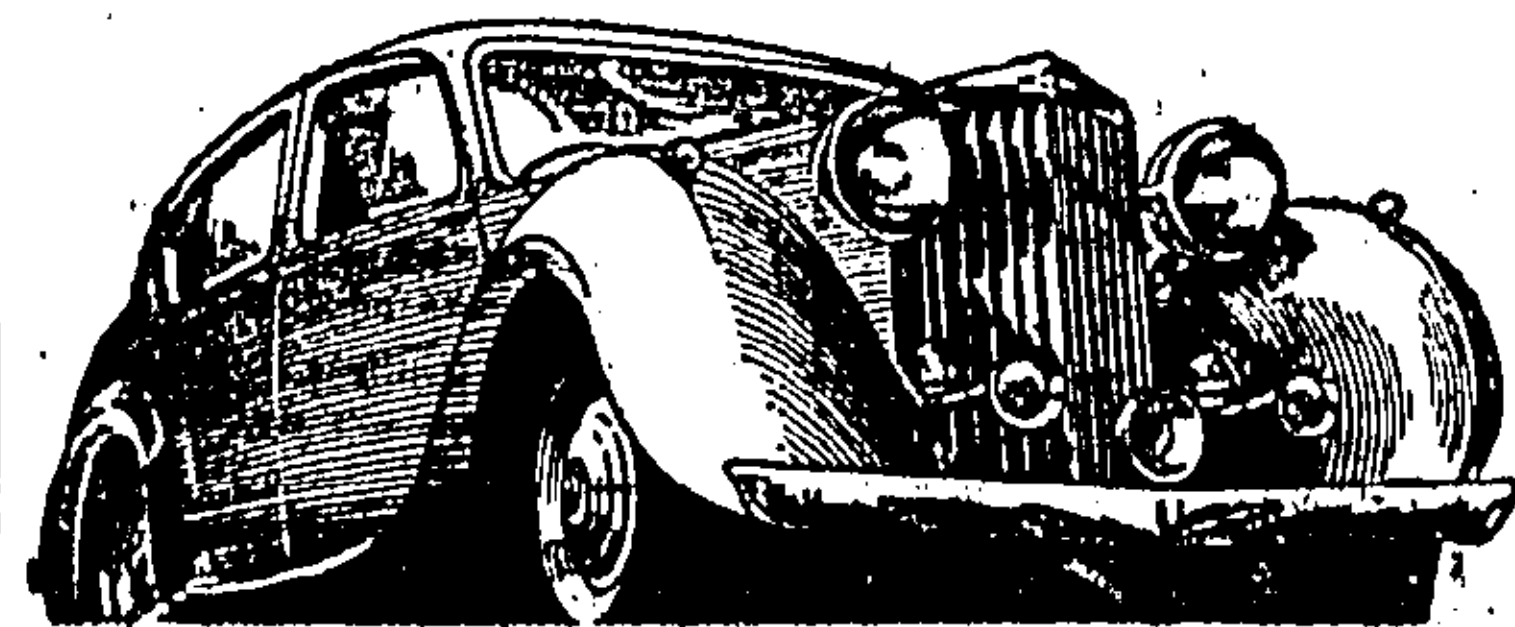


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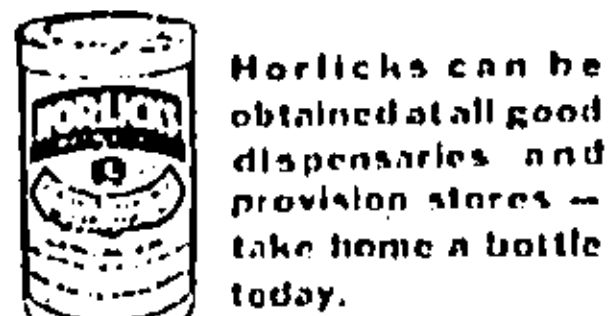
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Key To The Biggest Little Mystery In Europe

Report on a Nation at Work

By JOHN HALL

Liege, Wednesday. This is the Birmingham of Belgium. I came here to probe the biggest little mystery in Europe, the miracle belge, to find out just what is making this tiny nation of 8,000,000 tick faster than any other war-scarred country.

I came by train from gay, opulent Brussels—a capital is the last place in which to discover the heart of a nation—through the flat farmlands where, even though it was twilight, men were still at work in the fields.

Here in Liege there was a festival. To add to the evening rainbow of neon, floodlit buildings, and illuminated fountains the boulevard trees were strung with fairy lights.

They Love Work—

And beneath the trees the people were dancing—coal-miners, steel-workers, clerks, and typists waltzing and jitter-bugging to the tempo of a loud-speaker blaring music from the Town Hall steps. Birmingham was never like this.

I came here to see if there is anything we can learn from the way these Belgians have tickled war's aftermath. We can learn plenty.

There are four basic facts about the Belgian people—
1. In the mass they really like hard work;
2. They adore the good things of life, especially food. (In Belgium a good square meal takes precedence over everything else tangible and over a great many things intangible);
3. They have somehow escaped the what's-the-use bug that has gone around in feeble people in so many other European countries;
4. They abhor restrictions and regimentation.

Like people anywhere else, the Belgians want something in return for their work. They want to be able to buy the good things.

Back in the days of their wartime exile in London the

Belgian leaders considered all these things and made a plan, briefly like this:

First reduce the excess money in circulation by cutting note values, and then fill the shops with every sort of consumer goods.

They argued: "If we try to force austerity on our people, especially after the rough time they've had with the Germans, nothing will go right."

The plan worked; it is still working—and so are the Belgians. They are working hard because they can use the money to buy delicious meals, nylons for their wives, presents for their girl friends.

But to get the money they have to work hard. They need lots of money, but instead of sitting down and striking for higher pay like so many workers elsewhere, they just pitch in and work harder.

Officially there is a 48-hour week here, but the average is 50 hours, and many work 55, 60, or 65 hours. By 8 a.m. the nation is humming—factory and industrial workers, clerks, typists (yes, and bosses) are on the job.

At 5.55 p.m. the nation is still humming, on Saturdays, too. And while the "privileged" Civil Servants are not at their desks until 9 a.m. (top men as well as clerks and typists) and knock off at 6 p.m., the majority do other jobs on the side in the evening.

In proportion to population, the Belgians are managed by just over half as many Civil Servants as Britons need today.

I made a special check on the industrial habits of the Belgian bosses, in factories, works, and stores most of them are on the job five minutes before the first workers, and they stay until the last one has left. They give a lead.

Now let's dig a little deeper into the Belgian way of life.

—Hate Statistics

Is everybody here happy? No. Prices are high, so high that a lot of people have to struggle.

Forget the travellers' tales brought back to Britain by casuals who spent two weeks this summer gazing at the shops in Brussels and the Belgian coast resorts, and then cried: "This is paradise."

It is not paradise for everybody by a long way. The Belgians have a horror of statistics. They say they are too dangerous and totting them up keeps too many people uneasily employed but unofficially it is estimated that the cost of living in Belgium has risen about three and a half times above pre-war, and wages have gone up about three times.

The general standard of living (which, mark you, would look very good to anyone in Britain) is considered here to be lower than it was before the war, mainly because the mass of people cannot get as much bread, meat, and butter as they like.

It is also generally said that the Belgian is not working quite so hard as he did before the war and that, in view of the number of women who have gone out to work, production has not risen as it should have done.

Experts disagree on most of these points. They remark, for instance, that a great many Belgians have "secondary occupations."

Coal-miners run little farms, office-workers do extra jobs at night. Thousands of workers regard the 6 p.m. clock-off as a second lunch break and pitch in afterwards at some other job.

Overall production, therefore, is reckoned at about 10 per cent. above the pre-war figure.

Don't these people ever get tired? Apparently not. Sunday is their only rest day (not even that on the farms), and organised sport takes place only on Sunday. Saturday afternoon is just another work spell.

—Eat For Pleasure

Don't they go for entertainment? Not nearly so much as we do in Britain; and don't forget that in Belgium an evening meal is regarded as an entertainment in itself. It can last up to three hours.

Strict trade unionists could find a lot to criticise here. Alongside the Black Market in food there has developed a Black Market in wages—salaires noirs.

Workers for whom a standard rate of pay is fixed can, and do, especially if they are good men, get a higher rate, paid "on the side" to dodge income tax.

For instance, it is permissible to pay "danger money" to a construction worker if he has to work more than so many feet from the ground. Thousands of bricklayers working at "zero" level are drawing danger money.

Possibly the fact that Belgium is so close to two "austerity" countries—France and Holland—impresses the Belgian worker and spurs him on.

Another factor is that the prices in the shops here are real. In Britain we pay so much over the counter for most of the essential foodstuffs, and the out of our income tax, a portion goes to pay the rest in the form of subsidies.

Here the Government cut out subsidies but substituted a "Family Means Test" for the lower-paid workers.

Under this scheme every worker who shows on his income tax return that he's earning less than £7.11s. a week (with a bit extra added for each dependant) receives vouchers entitling him to buy certain essential goods at lower prices.

So, instead of subsidising food prices for everyone, the Government now "cushions" prices for those below the F.M.T. line (about 4,300,000 Belgians). The rest, who can afford to, pay the real prices.

—Enjoy Good Luck

Previously, when it became apparent that some people, notably the coal-miners, were taking days off because PAYE was hitting them too hard above a certain income, the Government promptly upped the income level at which tax becomes onerous.

The coal-miners happily went back to working six days a week.

But, of course, Belgian prosperity today isn't solely the result of hard work. Belgium has had a lot of good fortune on her side.

For the best part of five years, while we were having to sell out our investments overseas to pay for war supplies, Belgium was isolated and could not touch dividends from overseas, especially those accruing in the Congo, which has one of the richest deposits of uranium ore in the world—mined by a company floated by Belgian and British capital.

Throughout the prelude to the atomic era that began with Hiroshima the ore flowed to the United States. Most of it is still going there.

Not True

However, the idea that Belgium's post-war prosperity is founded on uranium is simply not true.

In 1945 uranium exports earned the Congo £500,000 and since then exports have been slightly lower. Palm oil, rubber, copper, gold, and diamonds also flow from the Congo, and flowed freely throughout the war.

Came the liberation in 1944. Allied troops swept the Huns out of Belgium so quickly that industry was virtually undamaged.

Factories which had been working for the Germans were producing for the Allies two days later. Belgium became a great gathering ground for vast Allied armies.

At the end of it all Belgium's bank balance added up to this handsome end-of-the-war windfall.

From exports, £190,000,000.

From Allied armies (and later, tourists), £117,000,000.

From dividends, etc., which had accrued abroad and capital repatriated by Belgians, £118,000,000.

Other foreign sources, £112,000,000.

A very grand total of £537,000,000, most of it in pounds and dollars.

Little wonder that Belgium could go out and buy. In that same period, to fill the shop windows and grocery shelves, she bought £445,000,000 worth of goods.

That brings us to the end of 1946, with the Belgian people working harder, and better fed and clothed than most folk in Europe.

—And Go On Working

They are still working; they are still fired by the fact that there is something to buy. But there is a perceptible change.

Food prices are rising again and that Black Market in food is becoming a little more widespread. Many luxuries in the well-filled shops have become a drug.

That end-of-the-war windfall was for once only. Belgium's income from overseas is now back to normal. She even has a trade deficit of £49,000,000 with the U.S. and £2,500,000 with Canada.

Does this indicate that the miracle belge is dissolving? Not altogether.

They will have to cut dollar imports, and the shops here will probably look very different next year.

But there is no alarm in high quarters. The Belgians people have accumulated some comfortable fat, they've rebuilt their physical strength, and got the taste of the good life in their mouths.

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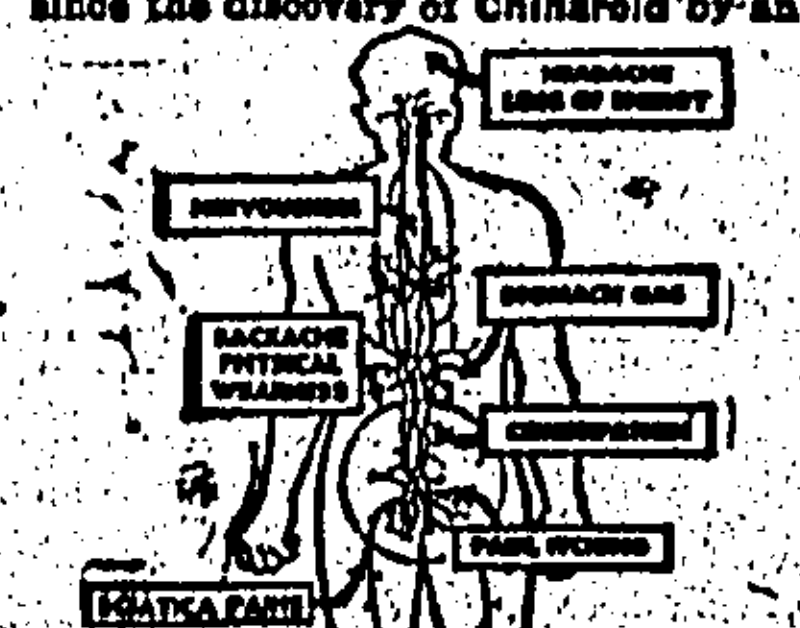
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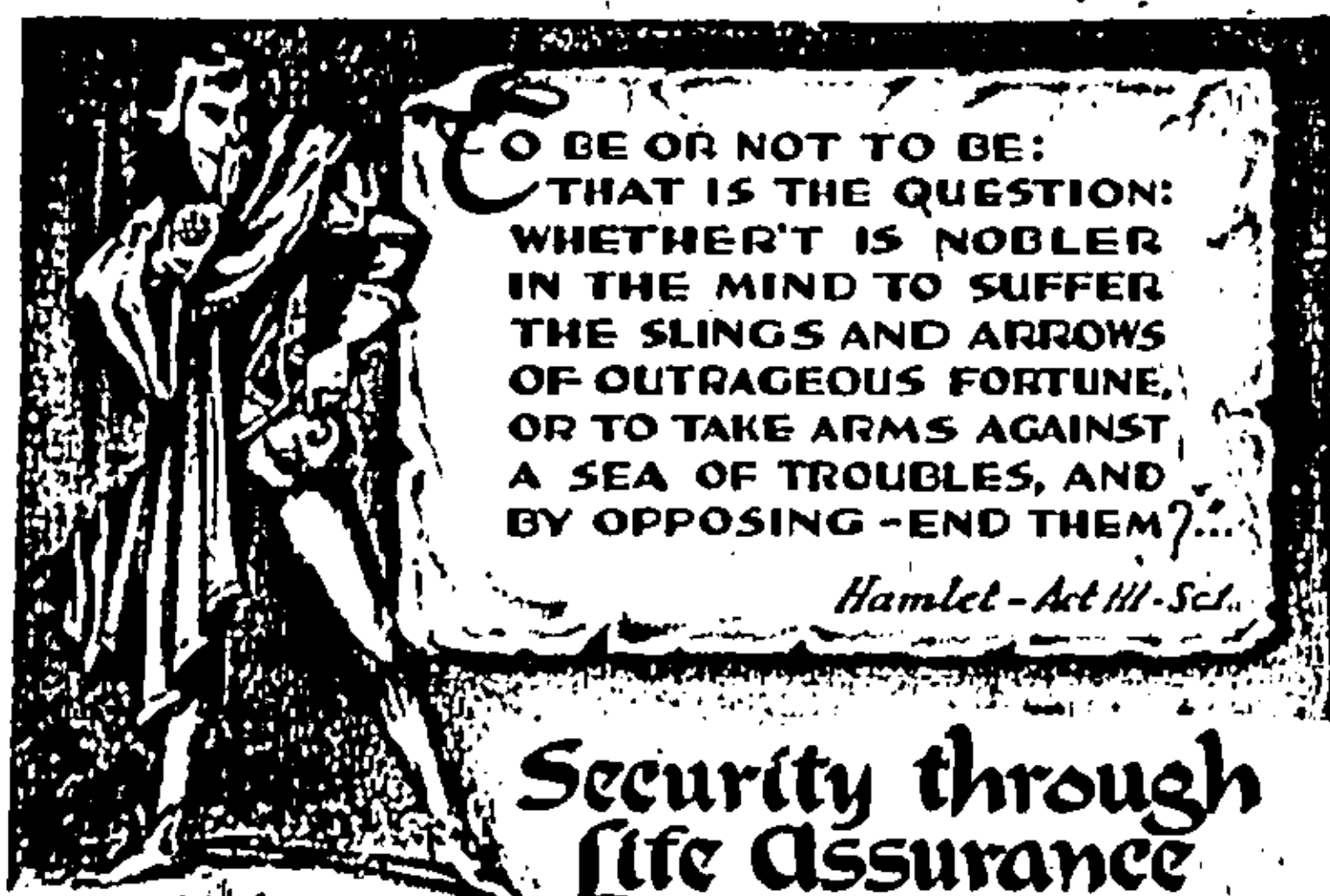
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Last week the Sunday Herald published the first instalment of a remarkable series entitled, "Journey into the Unknown." It is a record of an inquiry into spiritual movements which are an expression of a widespread quest for Faith to-day.

Journey Into The Unknown

By JACK THOMAS

I am going to tell you the story of the spirit healer Harry Edwards, who lives in the depths of the country in a mansion that once belonged to a British general; who was a captain in the first world war, a Home Guard lieutenant in the second; who owns a printers and stationers business in London; and who is to-day the most famous and puzzling spiritual healer the British Empire can show.

I drove from Dorking to Burrowes Lea, the Surrey headquarters of the healer, with a bus-load of sick people. Edwards invited me into the little church-like sanctuary beside the rambling house. He asked me to place my hand on the back of one of his patients—an old man who had hobbled forward painfully with the aid of a stick—a severe case of osteo-arthritis.

"We will attempt this cure together," he said. (He never guarantees success).

The Muscles Softened

I put my hand on the old man's back. Flesh and muscle were as hard as a board. It was like feeling the surface of a smooth masonry wall. Harry Edwards put his hands over my own and pressed down firmly. He pulled the patient backwards and forwards with a swaying motion. As he did so, the back beneath my fingers softened, grew supple, became alive to the touch.

"Cross your legs," Edwards said. "Put your left knee over the right."

Doubtfully, the old man lifted his left leg. Only by a fraction of an inch did he fall in crossing it.

"Get up," Edwards commanded. The old man straightened his back and began to walk across the room. One leg was shorter than the other.

"That leg wants putting right," the healer said.

The patient sat down again, and Edwards began to stroke the thighs with long, swift motions. Then, exerting his full strength, he pulled on the short leg.

I have to report that the leg appeared stretched. When the old man stood up again, both legs were of equal length.

Five minutes had passed and the interview was over.

"Where's my stick?" demanded the old man.

Edwards turned round on him, half fiercely, half humorously. "Get along!" he cried. "You don't need a stick any more."

That is a pretty exciting story, and it marked the beginning of a day which I think must be one of the most interesting in my life.

It had other highlights, like the girl crippled with infantile paralysis, her useless legs confined in steel calipers.

"Put your hand on the base of her spine," Edwards invited.

I did so. The healer's warm hands were laid over mine. Again, he and the girl began to sway together.

He took the girl's legs on his lap and removed the calipers. "Push as hard as you can," he commanded. "Try to kick me over."

The girl obeyed. Edwards and his chair slid backwards beneath the force of her thrust.

He stood back from the girl and held his hands to her. "Get up," he invited.

Holding her hands, he drew her gently to her feet.

I had seen the girl carried from Dorking station to the waiting bus.

"I Want To Walk Again"

Next came a woman in a wheel chair. Her face was drawn and her body was contorted.

"I want to walk again, Mr Edwards," she said. "I used to be a dancer."

Edwards drew her to him. As he worked, incredible as it may seem, I saw that woman become straighter. I saw the strain disappearing from her face.

Edwards smiled at her confidently. "You will walk again soon."

For three and a half hours I sat beside this man. Outside, in the courtyard, there was every kind of vehicle in which the seekers had arrived. There were cars which you could not buy for £2,000 and hacks fit only for the scrap heap.

Out of all the people who came that day I saw what at first sight appeared to be cures in 50 per cent. of the cases, some improvement in 30 per cent, and failure in perhaps 20 per cent.

The cost to the patients was nothing—unless they cared to make a voluntary offering. There was neither suggestion nor importuning for payment.

4,600 Callers A Year

Those are my first impressions of the work of a remarkable man. Now let me give you some statistical facts, and some evidence by a doctor.

First, Edwards gives treatment to some 4,600 patients a year at this house in Surrey. In the past 12 months he has given 21 public demonstrations, attended by 20,000 people. At each meeting he has endeavoured to get a qualified medical practitioner on the platform for the purpose of examining patients before and after treatment.

To each patient Edwards gives this advice: "Follow the instructions of your family doctor while you are undergoing psychic healing." And he adds: "The combination of earthly doctors and spirit healers working in harmony is the best possible force."

Edwards deplores the unwillingness of the medical profession as a whole to investigate the technique and results of spirit healing. But there are exceptions. Here is a letter to Edwards from a doctor in Surrey. "I have the doctor's permission to print it."

"You may recollect that I was very distressed because my mother had a fall and a stroke, and was lying unconscious with but the slightest hope of recovery. You promised me that you would cut her on your healing list."

"It is with a feeling of deep gratitude to God, to you, and to the spirit world, that I write to say that my mother has not only recovered consciousness, but the speech centre which for days was paralysed has suddenly functioned again. Her own doctor gave me very little hope. In over 20 years of medical practice, I have never known such a miraculous recovery."

When I asked Edwards for an explanation of his powers he said he was unable to account for them in the scientific sense, but he felt convinced that the "healing" of people, who have been "cured" over, were working through him.

He is an intense believer in God and in the spiritual goodness of humanity.

In appearance he is a typical countryman—silver-haired, red-faced and vigorous. After a 14-hour working day he was ready to engage me in a give-and-take argument.

The Girl Who Saw A Light

When I said that many of the cures I had seen that day could be duplicated by a skilled psychiatrist or osteopath, he pointed out that he had no knowledge either of bone-setting or of orthodox medicine.

Edwards is prepared to admit that psychology may play a part in his cures. "It is difficult at times to draw a line between psychology and the psychic," he says. "Obviously, if a patient is determined to get well and has complete faith in my spirit guides and their methods, the cure will be speeded up."

I would draw your attention now to the case of Christine Sparham, of Aveley, near Purfleet, Essex, a little girl who was born blind, who had been in a famous eye hospital, had an operation on her eyes, and remained blind until she was brought to Harry Edwards.

It was in February this year that the girl's mother heard of the psychic healer and brought her to one of his public demonstrations at the Victoria Hall, London. The mother was sceptical.

On February 9 the girl was led on to the platform and taken before the healers. Edwards smiled at her. Then, sprinkling water on to his hands, he held his fingers for a few minutes over the girl's eyes.

Then he took a piece of white paper and held it in front of the child's face.

"Can you see anything?" he asked.

Christine's actual words were: "I can see a kind of lightness."

Once more Edwards placed his hands over her eyes. Then he tilted her chin upwards. "What can you see now?"

And Christine replied: "I can see something bright." She was looking at the lamps which lit the hall.

To-day, Christine can distinguish colours, she can move with confidence about her own home, and she can count fingers held before her face. The white cataract-like growth that disfigures the pupil of one eye has, it is claimed, diminished in size by a third.

I took these facts to an official at the eye hospital which Christine attended in 1940.

He said: "It would be incorrect to describe Christine as totally blind. When we examined her she had some perception of light, and it is possible that much of the improvement you describe would have occurred normally."

Told of my inquiries, Edwards himself commented: "I welcome this kind of investigation."

"Absent healing" comprises the greater part of Edwards' practice. On the average he receives 3,000 letters a week, asking for his services. Attending to this huge mail occupies his entire morning. Typing the replies keeps a secretary busy all day.

The technique of absent healing is interesting. Before he begins to pen his mail Edwards "tunes in" to his spirit guides. Then, as he reads each letter, he tries to enter into the patient's condition before dictating his reply. In many cases, he claims, that is all that is necessary. The spirit doctors get to work immediately. His claims for these cases are encouraging.

"Governed By Natural Law"

Edwards, usually an even-tempered man, is much put out if it is suggested that spirit healing is supernatural.

"In common with all other things, spirit healing is determined by natural law," he says. "Those who accept the idea that spirit healing is a Divine act, supernatural in character, must face the fact that it takes place with people of all races and creeds."

"Some people believe that the healing of Lourdes and the result of God's intervention, but that the healing medium who gets similar results is the tool of a very cunning devil who does good deeds to ensure humanity. There is no difference between healings at Lourdes and those in the healing ministry."

Edwards is a member of the Church of England, and he regards a similar revelation by a healing medium with disapproval.

Edwards is not a life-long Spiritualist. While serving in the East with the Royal Sussex Regiment during the 1914-18 war he became interested in Asiatic religions.

'Cure' During Air Raid

Back in England, it was not until 1936 that he began his investigation of Spiritualism. He sat at first with a small home circle in Balham. He found that he himself had mediumistic powers.

The he tried healing. A woman had come into the shop attached to his printing business in great distress. Her husband was dying. Edwards, not expecting success, invoked the aid of his spirit guides. Overnight, the man began to recover.

Other sufferers began to come to the printing shop for aid, and Edwards finally gave his full time to the work.

Here lastly is a story from the early days. The date is 1940. The place, a London Ack-Ack gunsite during an air raid. Edwards, on duty as a Home Guard lieutenant, overheard a sergeant telling some of his pals that he had suffered from eye trouble for years and was undergoing expensive treatment. To make matters worse, a nasty ulcer was affecting the eye.

Says Edwards: "I felt impelled to concentrate on that eye, though the situation at the battery was, to say the least, at the time somewhat tense."

A few nights later the sergeant told me: "My eye is now quite better now."

Next week I am going to tell you about a spirit hospital where treatment is carried out under guidance which, it is claimed, comes from the spirit world.

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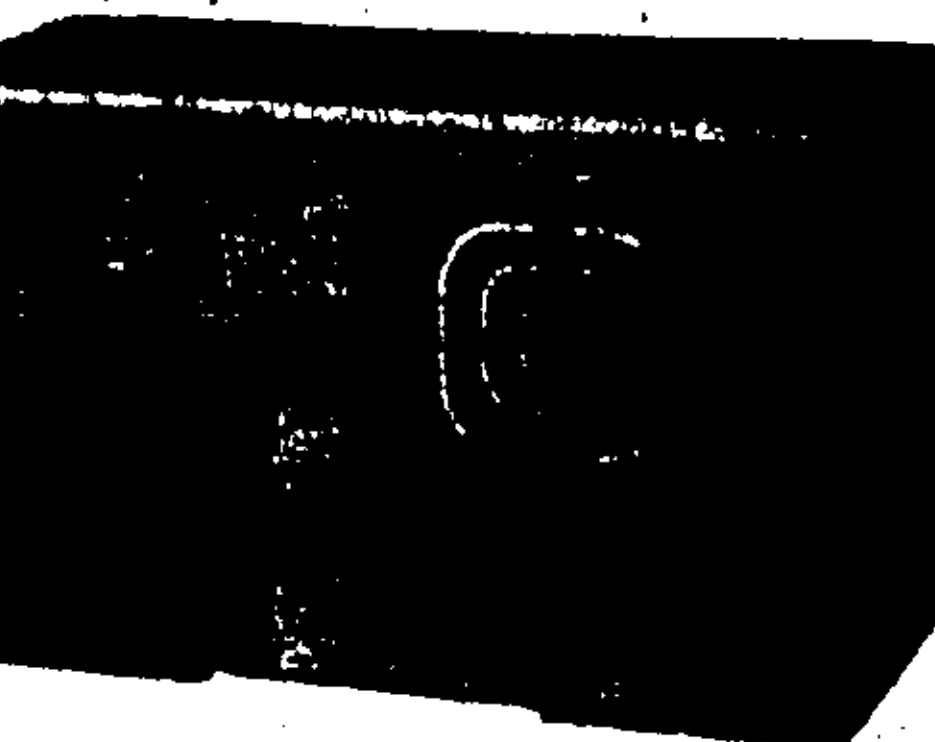
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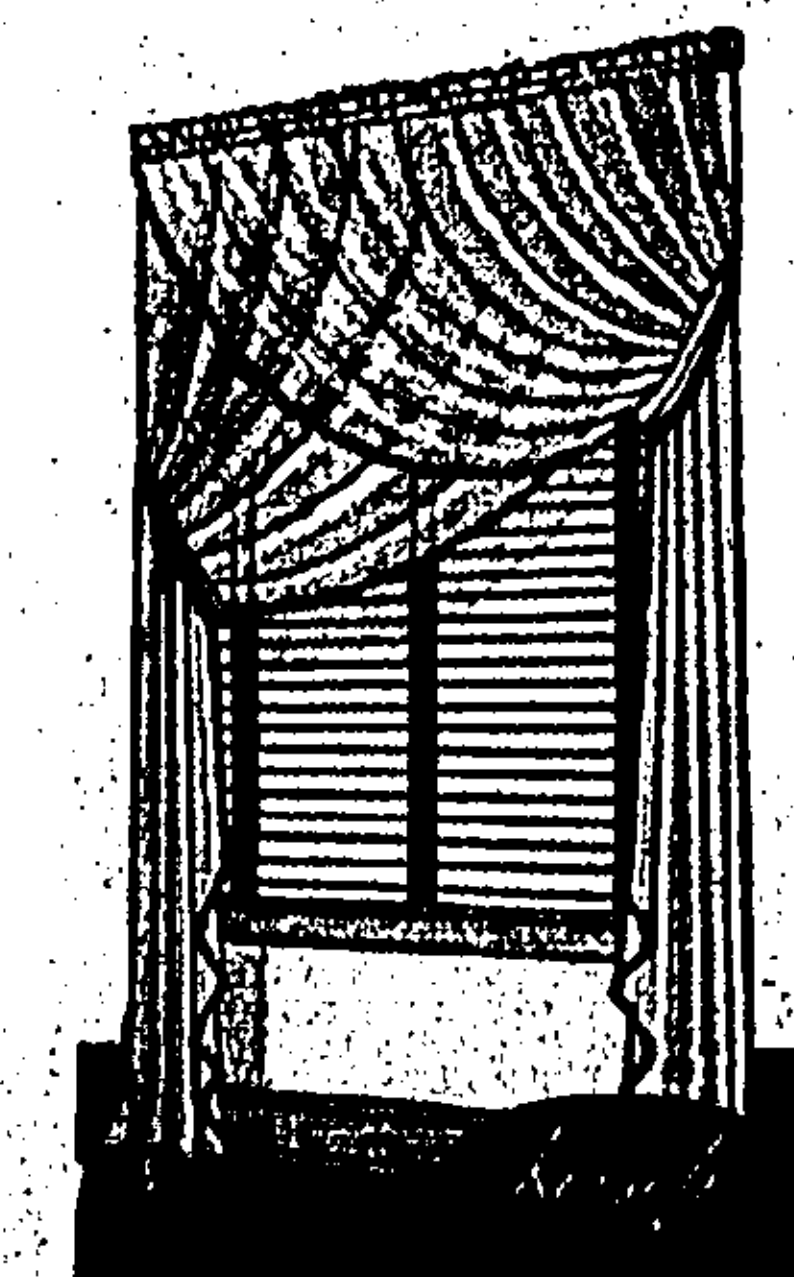
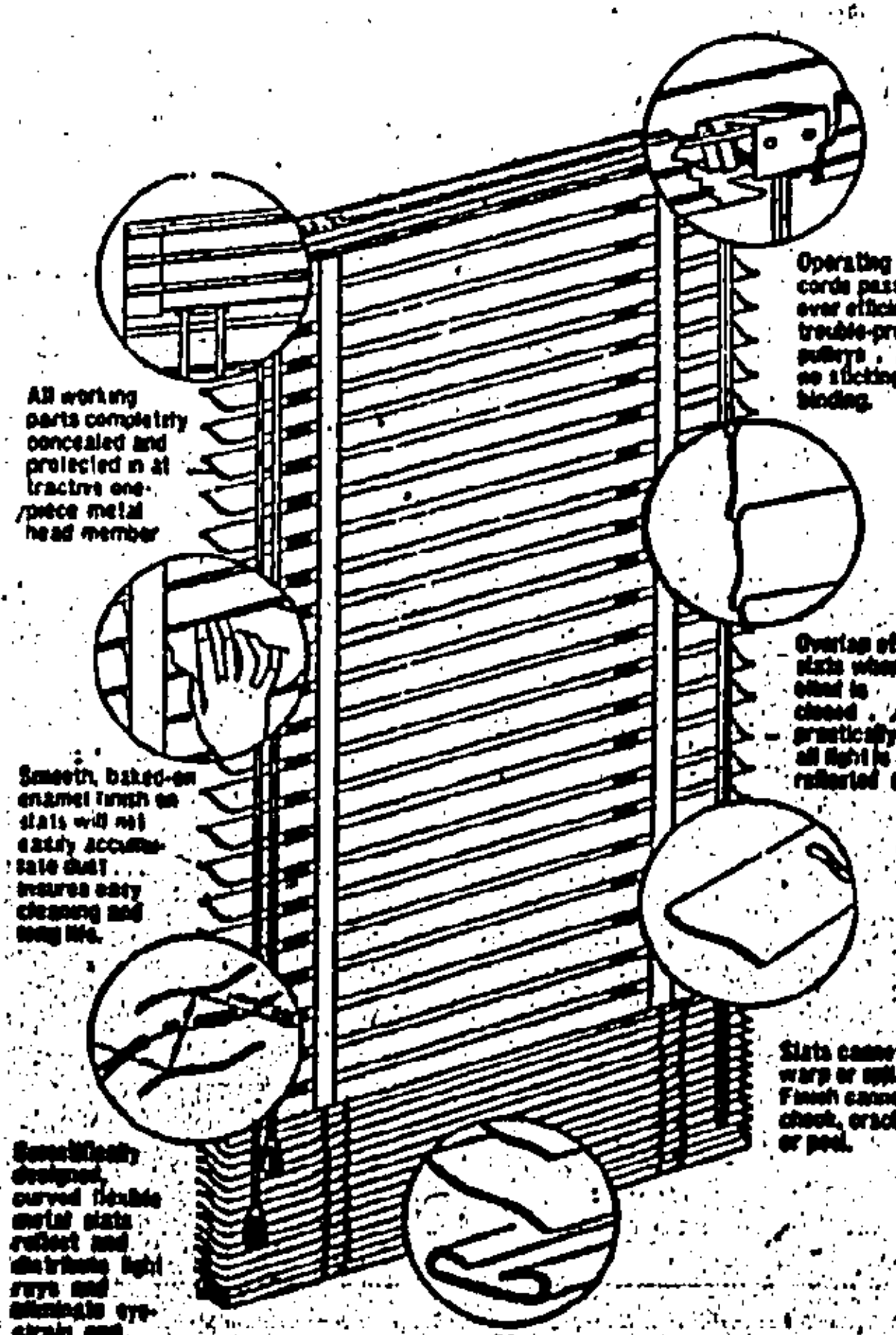
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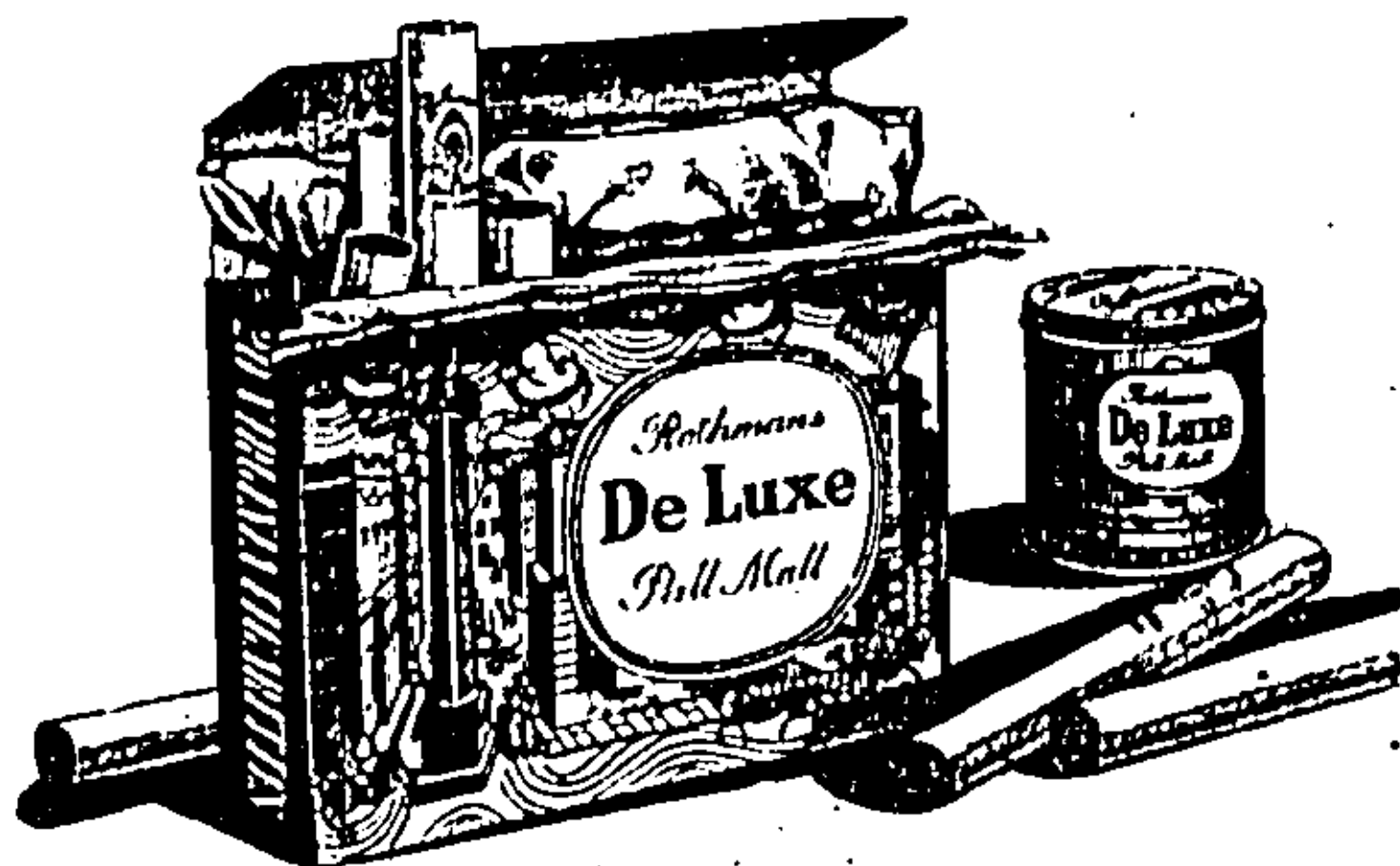
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Was A Foregone Conclusion. Whether Full Implementation
of the Marshall Plan Is Also Completely Assured Is Ques-
tioned In This Article.

Deflating The Communist Bogey In America

By
DAVID ECCLES M.P.

New winds are blowing
round the world which may
overturn the Marshall Plan.
Here in the United States
Walter Lippman and others are
telling their countrymen that
the Russians have already lost
the ideological war in Western
Europe.

Congress may react to this
doubtful piece of news in one
of two ways. It may either
reduce aid to the scale of hu-
manitarian relief, or, more
likely, insist on a value-for-
money bargain with strings at-
tached which no British House
of Commons could accept.

Before Lippman set about
deflating the Communist bogey,
events had forced the Presi-
dent to mix the domestic po-
litics of price controls with
what the leaders of Congress
had hoped would be an above-
party programme of help to
the sixteen Paris nations. Mr.
Truman has been driven to act
in this way because the aver-
age American is now much
more interested in the price of
pork chops than in the Mar-
shall Plan. As a result, bi-
partisan foreign policy is com-
ing under a new and unex-
pected strain.

Resistance Stiffening

All this is happening in Am-
erica precisely at the time
when the Conservative revival
in Europe will stiffen re-
sistance to any conditions at-
tached to aid which restrict
the economic freedom of the
receiving nation.

Americans do not understand
this. They hailed with joy the
results of the French and Bri-
tish local elections because
four out of five Americans
would give European recovery
a better chance of success un-
der Conservative than under
Socialist management. But it
is not so easy to realise in the
United States that the Right
swing in Europe will encourage
all those who long to stand on

their own feet without any fur-
ther help from America. Thus
the prospects of success, at
home, and the dangers of fal-
lure, in Europe, of the Mar-
shall Plan are being simultane-
ously increased.

The heart of the problem is
in Great Britain. The Ameri-
cans cannot conceive that there
is any alternative to the Mar-
shall Plan. Before our British
people. The idea that we
might slough off most of our
foreign commitments, including
Germany, Palestine and India,
in order to tighten our belts and
fight our way up again, simply
does not make sense to the
Washington statisticians.

Britain's Fortunes

Seen from this side of the
Atlantic, Britain's fortunes
seem to be declining with the
speed and inevitability of a
Shakespearean tragedy. No

American believes the British
Government can approach
bankruptcy at the calculated
rate laid down by Sir Stafford
Cripps and Mr. Dalton. The
more they know about the Bri-
tish economy, the more sure
Americans are that nothing ex-
cept large supplies of dollars
can prevent the disintegration
of the sterling area and a col-
lapse in our island standard of
life.

The Americans who think
this way about our economy
may be right on paper. It is
true that we are very near the
lips of the whirlpool. But pro-
phets of final disaster forget
that production can expand as
well as stagnate, and that the
vitality and power of our coun-
try could express itself in a
very different level of output
from that of the frustrated
years since the Armistice.

Britain's first need is a
shock and a vision that will

liberate the energies and spirit
of her people. If there were
no other way in which to
achieve this liberation except
to refuse the conditions at-
tached to the Marshall dollars,
better far to be confident and
poor than subsidised and de-
ficient.

Generous

The Americans are a very
generous and understanding
people, far less isolationist
than the British people, and,
if the facts are put before
them, they will appreciate the
British belief that there is an
alternative to the Marshall
Plan, and they will so shape
the Marshall Plan that we do
not have to make the wrong
choice.

Before the plan can be suc-
cessfully launched, two big
humps have to be negotiated.
In Britain we must not be per-
suaded into an attempt to live
on our own earnings before it
is economically possible, and
we must hope that the Ameri-
cans will resist the national de-
sire to attach conditions to the
aid which might look like good
business but would certainly
result in a refusal—rational or
irrational—is beside the point—
of the aid itself.

24-PASSENGER HELICOPTER

London, Dec. 13.
Construction begins at South-
ampton early in the new year
on the Clerva Autogyro Com-
pany helicopter, which it capable
of seating 24 passengers and
a crew of three. The machine,
which has a payload of between
three and four tons, will be the
largest of its kind in the world.
—Reuter.

At Teheran

Sooted, red-eyed and thorough-
ly appreciative of American air
conditioning, the expedition
hit Teheran, still 500 miles
from the border.

There is tri-weekly train ser-
vice north, but it only goes half
way to the frontier, and be-
sides we just missed a train.
Occasionally Iranian Airways
flies a plane north to Tabriz
but only if the company pilot
and the crew feel so inclined.
Somebody lost their inclination
along the line and the "sche-
duled" flight was cancelled af-
ter 12 unhappy passengers
spent the morning waiting the
takeoff.

Four of the most courageous
and determined passengers
hired a taxi for the 400 mile
junker to Tabriz. Out of sheer
desperation, I joined them.

The next 19 hours were spent
jammed three in the front seat
of an ancient Dodge. Periodi-
cally the passengers piled out
to help fix four flat tires, two
broken springs and two clogged
gas lines. At two in the morn-
ing I deeply stumbled into a
neck-deep pool of water along-
side the road while heading for
a tea house. Any American
insurance company could have
hired me for 15 dollars a week
at that point.

Need I Add

The railroad problem con-
fronted the expedition again at
Tabriz. Yes, there was a train to
the border town of Julfa, but
it only ran once a week. Need
I add that "It just left yester-
day."

The bus service was pro-
blematical. There used to be
a service, but since the border
activity, nobody seemed anxious
to travel north, so it had been
temporarily suspended.

A fellow American, Brock
Havron of Chattanooga, Tenn.,
produced a sunny ray of hope.
He had to go to Julfa and al-
lowed, as we might ride along
in his new Chevrolet.

So in a blaze of glory and
riding cushioned seats, the
United Press arrived at the
Russian border. It was a sort
of consolation prize, for the
Iranian army captain at the
border garrison explained sym-
pathetically that "nothing of
interest had occurred around
Julfa recently."—United Press.

JUST TO PROVE IT CAN BE DONE

—By Robert W. Miller—

The Russian-Iranian border
isn't exactly inaccessible, but
don't ever try to make it in a
hurry.

To get there from India it
took seven men flying a BOAC
Sunderland to complete the
first lap to Iraq. One heavily
overloaded gondola and three
taxi, two flapping-fendered
taxi linked up the gondola
with the Teheran express and
another week tired hack
finally made it from Teheran to
Tabriz. Friendship pro-
duced a new Chevy at Tabriz
to finish the 2,500 mile trek to
the border.

Twelve porters, eight bag-
gage guards and a dozen roust-
abouts, all eager to fleece the
"American" contributed to the
success of the operation and
demanded heavy contributions
in return.

Iran, which used to be Persia
in the history book, is far
north of the regular travel
routes, and after you disem-
bark at Sinbad the sailor's old
home town of Basra, in Iraq,
you're on your own for the next
thousand miles.

Getting out of Iraq requires
an exit visa valid only with the
scrawling of the Iraqi official
appointed to sign exit visas.
No signature, no exit. Only a
veteran of the Persian Gulf
Command can appreciate that
fact.

Perfect Timing

I got mine after a five mile
taxi ride in a molten 110 de-
gree temperature so hot the
trip was made with car win-
dows rolled up to shut out the
heat. It took the usual cum-
shav plus considerable detec-
tive work to find the visa sig-
ner's house where he was carry-
ing out his official duties
sneaking.

Crossing the Shatt-al-Arab
required perfect timing as the
river was jammed with freight-
ers, junks, loggers, and stern-
wheelers; the wake of any one
would have swamped the glori-
fied canoe cautiously making its
way to the far shore.

The road, the rail, head at
Ahwas, is the world's widest.
You just take a compass bear-
ing on your objective and let
fly, sometimes following some-
body else's trail, but more often
breaking your own across the
flat sand-packed desert.

Teheran becomes a distinct
possibility instead of a distant
mirage once you board the
Teheran express. Twenty-three
hours of railroading, through
177 tunnels, many of which go
into the mountains north and
come out heading south, were
required to get me to Teheran.

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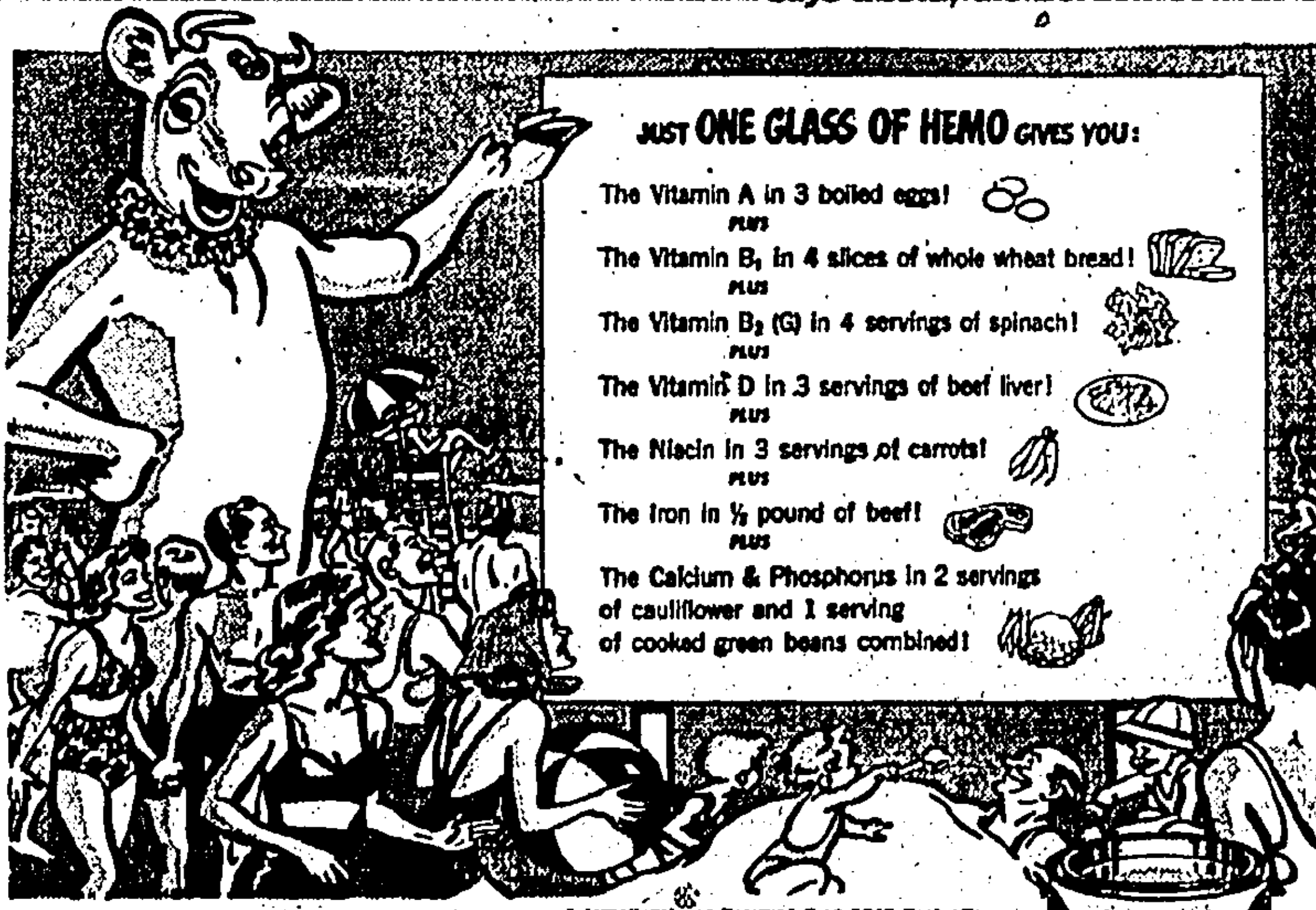
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NEW P.A.L. LINK

Chicago, Dec. 13. United Air Lines said today that an agreement has been reached with the Philippine Air Lines linking passenger and air freight service. Under the agreement, clients can arrange straight through passenger and freight service to points served by the Philippine line. Transfers will be made at San Francisco or Honolulu. Philippine Air Lines operates from San Francisco to Honolulu, Wake, Guam, Manila, Hong Kong, Shanghai and Bangkok.—Associated Press.

M.P.'s Pensions Increase

LONDON, DEC. 13. A GOVERNMENT ACTUARY HAS EXAMINED THE POSITION OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS MEMBERS FUND WHICH PROVIDES PENSIONS FOR M.P. AND HAS ESTIMATED THAT THE HIGHER RATES OF BENEFIT AND MORE GENEROUS CONDITIONS PROPOSED BY THE SELECT COMMITTEE LAST JUNE COULD ONLY BE MAINTAINED BY AN INCREASE IN THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF M.P. FROM £12 TO £21.

On the other hand he finds the present rates of benefit could still be maintained if the contribution were reduced to £9 as recommended by the select committee.

This was dealt with in the White Paper published today which will be debated in the House next Wednesday.

With the present scales the maximum pension for an M.P. is £150 with an income limit of £225, while the maximum pension for a widow is £75 with an income limit of £125.

Two alternative schemes are now put forward by the Government:

1. With a contribution of £12 yearly, the maximum pension for an M.P. could be £170 and for widow £90. That would require a total fund of £80,000.

2. With a contribution of £21 yearly, this provides a pension of £195 for M.P. and £115 for widow. The total fund for this is £100,000.—Reuter.

PANAMA BASES PROTEST

Panama, Dec. 13. Police battled students gathered in the city's main streets to protest the new agreement to lease Panama Canal defence bases to the United States.

The demonstration was touched off by submission of the agreement to the National Assembly. Socialist deputy Jose Boriver told the Assembly five persons had been injured.—Associated Press.

Simultaneously the Polish and Czechoslovak Governments have protested at a British and American ruling that no more Germans will be handed over for trial beyond the Iron Curtain, unless documentary proof is first submitted that there is a case of war crime against them. A Polish spokesman today said that the Polish Government wants to try General Guderian because it was when he was Chief of the General Staff, in the autumn of 1944, that the defence of Warsaw against the Russians was ordered, as well as the suppression of the resistance movement within Warsaw.

"The Germans were very thorough in destroying documentary evidence in Poland, and their policy of destruction now helps them, because it is difficult to document our cases," the Polish official stated.

Habeas Corpus

A British spokesman commented: "We cannot either continue to keep German generals or others in internment, or extradite them in the absence of evidence against them. We are interested in establishing the principle of habeas corpus in Central Europe, otherwise it would be too easy to obtain any wanted person by describing him as a war criminal."

General Guderian is at present in the hands of the American Intelligence Department in Neustadt. He is at present engaged in writing his war memoirs, particularly with regard to the Russian campaign.

It is unlikely that he will be surrendered to the Poles, partly because he is due for trial by an American tribunal in March 1948 at Neuremberg, where the trial of another 13 field marshals and generals, and one admiral began today on charges of war crimes.

There are no humanitarian reasons for refusing to surrender Guderian to Eastern justice. However, in spite of his high rank he stands far down the list of war criminals wanted by the Poles, and his inclusion has been described in British quarters as "having the appearance of an afterthought."

Apart from his role in stiffening the last resistance of Germany, he will be remembered by the Russians as the great Panzer expert who carried out his early training in Central Russia under the secret agreement between the Moscow Government and the Reichswehr during the Weimar Republic.

Guderian, who speaks fluent Russian, and used to lecture on armoured warfare in Russian military colleges, will also be remembered as the General who betrayed the rebel generals of July 20, 1944, who were being suspected by the Russians of intending a separate peace with the Western Powers.

Promoted By Hitler

Guderian was made Chief of the General Staff by Hitler immediately after that revolt had been suppressed. It is by no means probable that his extradition to Poland would result in a death sentence against him, and it is likely that a technical interest in his genius for panzer warfare would gain the upper hand.

In view of the fact that the Seydlitz Army is still in being in the U.S.S.R. it is practically certain that the U.S. military Government will not consent to the final trial of Guderian anywhere else than in the American zone of Germany.—Our Own Correspondent.



Mr. Harold Wilton, President of the Board of Trade, who headed the British delegation which has just concluded a new trade agreement with Soviet Russia, under which Britain is to receive large amounts of grain. Mr. Wilton is seen before he left London airport for Moscow. (A.P.H.O.).

FRANGO-SOVIET CLASH TO BE DEBATED

Paris, Dec. 12.

The Assembly by 411 votes to 183 tonight approved the Government's policy toward the Soviet Government and, in particular, its refusal to accept the Russian note of Dec. 9, which broke off trade negotiations and accused the French of annulling the repatriation agreement.

The Acting Foreign Minister, M. Andre Marie, defending the Government's action on the expulsion of members of the Soviet Repatriation Committee, said that in no circumstances could the Government tolerate subversion acts or its territory by anyone, whoever it might be.

He stressed, however, that the Government remained as anxious as ever to apply the Repatriation Agreement and was willing to confer with the Soviet representatives on this subject.

When the Assembly met, there was a request for a general debate on Franco-Soviet relations as a whole. M. Robert Schuman, Premier, asked that for the present the debate should be confined to the strict issue of the expelled repatriation missions.

A debate on general Franco-Soviet relations would be held later, he said, but it was inadvisable at present while the Big Four Foreign Ministers were meeting in London.

Six Dead In Air Crash

Paris, Dec. 13. Six people were killed when a military aircraft crashed and burst into flames near Rambouillet, to the south-west of Paris, tonight.

The aircraft, which left Villacoublay, outer suburb aerodrome of Paris, a few minutes earlier, was still a mass of flames when the fire brigade arrived.

When the firemen were able to approach the fuselage they found six charred bodies, which were later removed to hospital. The bodies have not yet been identified.—Reuter.

DEMOLITIONS IN GERMANY

Hamburg, Dec. 13. British troops are blowing up underground German war plants of the Aerostahl Company in Drachentelz, Bavaria.

To avoid severe shocks, the demolition is being carried out by a series of smaller explosions. Reuter.



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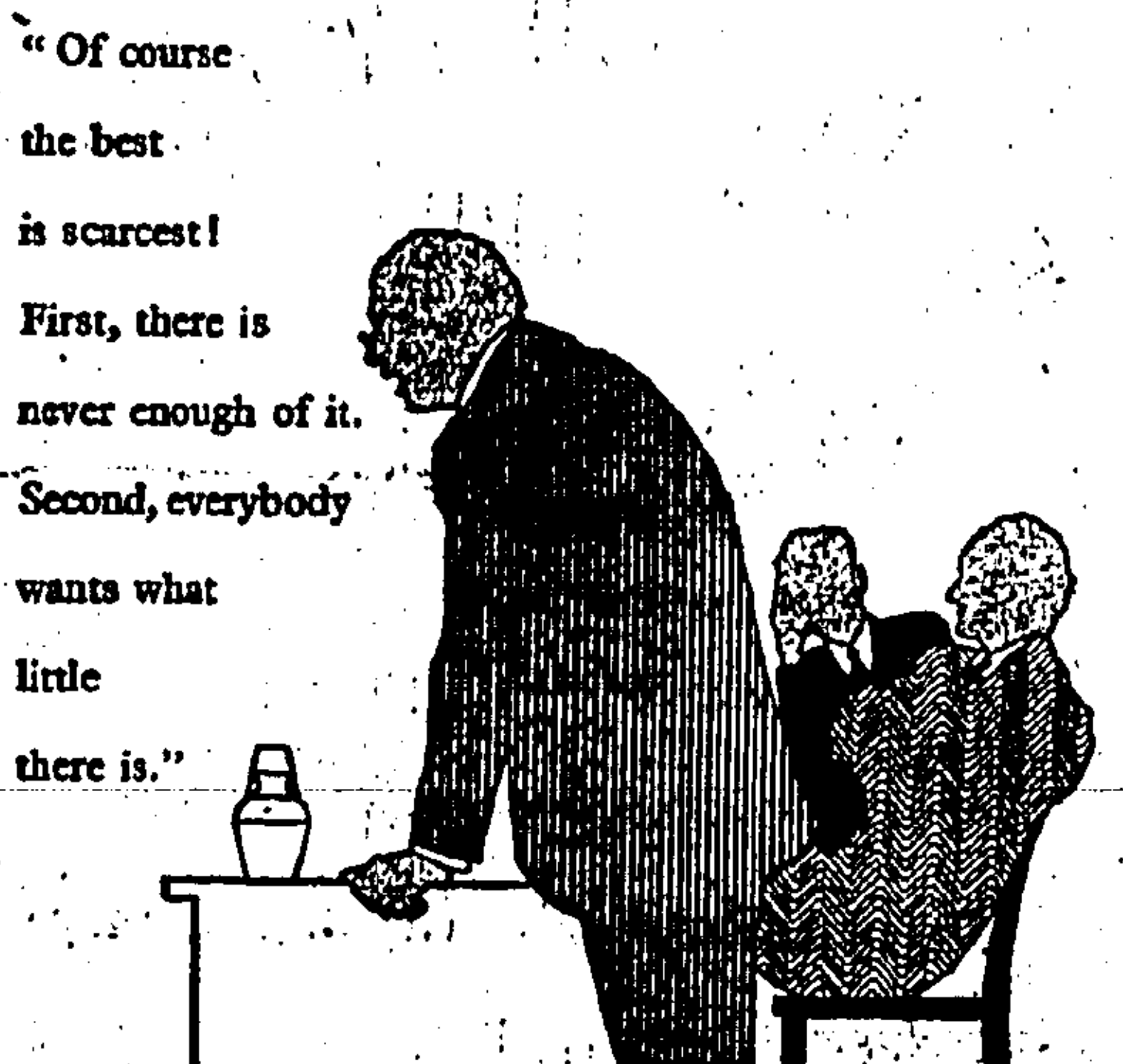
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RICE BAN

The steps, taken by Dr. T. V. Soong to create the conditions for greater economic stability in Kwangtung Province, including the arrangement whereby Macao will prohibit the export of rice to Hong Kong, are such that no criticism is permissible from this end. The Governor of Kwangtung, under existing circumstances, is entitled to employ every measure at his disposal for restricting the movement of rice out of the province: indeed to prevent smuggling in all its forms as far as possible. In his place, Hong Kong would do precisely the same thing and there can be no cavil. The only point that Hong Kong makes is that, except where cooperation is obviously desirable and reasonable, when it would be freely proffered, the responsibility for control belongs properly to the authority imposing such control. It is to be hoped, therefore, that less will be heard of the kind of propaganda which so futilely attempts to depict Hong Kong smuggling as the sole cause of China's economic ills, which tend to damage cordial relations and overlooks the necessity for close harmony between Hong Kong and Canton and their economic interdependence. How far success will be achieved in the new campaign it would be unsafe to attempt to predict. The wide disparity in prices as between Canton and Hong Kong is plainly a factor conducive to the movement of rice towards the territory, in search of the bigger profit, and of the relative stability of Hong Kong dollars. Should restrictive practices tend to cause rice prices in Hong Kong to rise above their present levels, the magnetic attraction would, by the same process, be increased. Introduce any factor which chokes the normal and natural flow of trade and checks enterprise and initiative, and the eminently resourceful Chinese merchant will seek a way round. This once recognised and the way might be cleared for special arrangements to facilitate the freer movement of imports and exports along the more regular channels.

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Gratuitous
The Kung Sheung Man Po, which happens to be one of the more solid of the Chinese newspapers published in Hong Kong, as well as one of the cleanest, undoubtedly overstepped the mark in its reporting of the case which led to yesterday's contempt of court charge at the Criminal Sessions. The acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Williams, treated the offence reasonably, having regard to the paper's good standing, in cautioning the defendants. We are, however, inclined to think that the acting Chief Justice also overstepped in

Britain-Will-Make-It Wave Sweeps America

In future this feature
will appear weekly in
the "China Mail".

More and more Americans are moving from the mourners' bench to the cheer section of the grand stand.

Six months ago U.S. officials and correspondents stationed in Britain were burying us. Funeral services were held almost daily, widow's weeds were being worn, and the dispatches were draped in crepe.

Today there is a renewal of confidence in Britain's future, and the men who were telling the bell are now banging tambourines and playing the flute.

During the past week the New York Times has published an exhaustive series of articles by its chief London correspondent, Herbert Matthews, which, while acknowledging the end of an era and a shift in power balance, proclaim unqualified faith in Britain's greatness and her ability to surmount all obstacles.

Another Look
Other newspapers and magazines have been running similar features, and Look magazine, which recently was shouting "Britain is dying" in extravagant type, is no doubt preparing sequel entitled "The resurrection of Britain: Back from the grave."

This sudden switch in the experts' appraisal of our chances is not confined to editorial offices. It is implicit in almost everything that is being said and done in Washington.

The State Department is insistent that Britain is a good risk. Congress is confident we are pulling ourselves back by the bootstraps.

How and why and on what evidence the new diagnosis has been made is not clear. Latest statistics on Britain's production show improvement, but they are hardly solid and rock-ribbed enough to provide foundation for such a towering and spectacularly swift edifice for faith. And the Socialist Government is still regarded with distaste, distrust, and dismay.

No Corpse
There probably is no simple and glib explanation for the metamorphosis in American thinking. It has just happened to bury us and remained to praise us. In New York plenty has been happening. Zionists 6,000 strong have danced in the streets celebrating the United Nations-sponsored Jewish homeland in Palestine.

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Don Iddon's Diary

The screaming anti-British advertisements and demonstrations have been dropped and there is a dim-witted idea that we will see everything through if the underground doesn't throw any more bombs or garrote more British soldiers. I hope we won't be chumps enough for that.

Sobering Thought

Two thousand bartenders are threatening to strike, which is a sobering thought. The Metropolitan Opera Association has issued a statement deploring the behaviour of some of its patrons—women who smoke, cigars, show their legs, stand on their heads, and count their diamond bracelets for photographs will no longer be welcome. Peeping Toms were declared not subject to any known law against them. Manhattan taxi-drivers were described as among the most discourteous in the world by several civic societies and editorialists. Women are flocking to bowling alleys, ousting men, and a panel of local doctors, headed by Elsie Roe, said the new look could ruin women's figures and possibly cause illness.

There have been more serious matters in the news—money matters. Figures have been released showing that rate of profit in American big business this year increased 60 per cent.

Lush Pickings

There never have been such lush pickings, with big food manufacturers getting back 19.8 per cent of their goods worth, motorcar firms 20 per cent, paper companies 24.6 per cent, textiles and clothing 25.6 per cent.

Gigantic production and uncontrolled charges are the reasons, and it is clear now why the great industrialists are against President Truman's plan to reimpose price controls and rationing.

Their spokesman lately has been Senator Robert Taft, a crusty oldhand who sometimes makes Colonel Blimp look like an Anarchist.

Senator Taft is not only against price controls, he is also against the Marshall Plan in its present form. He wants to cut

and pare down and shave the proposed appropriations on the grounds of economy.

Actually, the economy he proposes is wanton extravagance, for the house that Taft wants to build would be roofless, uninhabitable, and a waste of money.

Larceny!

I also have been receiving quite a battering lately. American columnist Walter Winchell (earnings 500,000 dollars a year) charges me with "adding insult to petty larceny" in the diary; another paragrapher, Leonard Lyons, describes my column as "peculiar" and ascribes its publication to American magazine quarters; the Press editor of the American magazine Newsweek says he has been informed that I am a menace to Anglo-American relations; and "The Man in the Street," writing in Britain's Newspaper World, says I've become heavy and pontifical, aspects I'm wistful, but concedes that the diary attracts attention.

How do you like all that? I don't. However, all the critics spelled the name correctly.

Film City Fear

You can understand the fear that walks in Hollywood only if you imagine the same tragedy happening in Denham, Elstree, and Shepherd's Bush.

It is as if a Parliamentary Committee had summoned the great names of the British film world, made a fool of itself, and adjourned after the violent outburst against its witch-hunt tactics. Then, a few days later, the film people, after winning a victory for personal freedom, suddenly roll over on their backs and ask to be spanked.

That's what's happening in Hollywood. Government officials have told Hollywood producers that the Marshall Plan will help American films in Europe.

The State Department takes the view that films are essential goods, coming after food, shelter, clothes, and fuel. J. Arthur Rank's magnificent "Henry V." is clearing up here. So far it has netted 1,800,000 dollars.

More and more stars are taking to psycho-analysis. Hedy Lamarr, Judy Garland, Danny Kaye, Benny Goodman, have all been having sessions with the psychiatrist lately.

Hollywood is, of course, a lush ground for the mind-probers, because it has more than its share of neurotics.

Footnote: Americans, worried about the cost of living, are also counting the cost of giving. And who can blame them?

What The Chinese Press Is Saying?

New Life Evening Post: The Kowloon City question is obviously a diplomatic issue and cannot be dismissed as a "local incident" to be settled locally. It involves sovereignty over territory. Thus, it should not be left in the hands of local representatives. China has had too many "local incidents" in her relations with Japan and again in her postwar relations with Russia. A recent example is the Sinkiang question.

Sing Tao Wan Po: Six years ago Hong Kong fell to the ruthless Japanese after 18 days of heroic fighting. Today the scars of battle still remain. People are still suffering from the consequences. We must remember all this and we must not give Japan an opportunity of rising again. The Americans who are responsible for controlling Japan, appear to have forgotten what happened six years ago. If Japan is allowed, under American plans, to rise again, it will have a depressing effect on peace in the Far East.

Sing Tao Wan Po: America seems to have forgotten Pearl Harbour, and appears to be more worried about Russia. However, if America realises the real nature of the Japanese, she will not permit herself to forget so easily what happened six years ago. The blood of Pearl Harbour is still wet: one can still hear the cries of widows and orphans. We do not want another war. Russia's warring thoughts should be swept away on the one hand and Japan's fighting power completely smashed on the other.

Wah Hing Pao: Not only has America completely forgotten Pearl Harbour, she is in fact indirectly promoting the danger of a second Pearl Harbour. Under her protection, the capitalist setup which launched the recently-ended aggressive war, and the military organization are still preserved. America now regards Japan as a future ally and Russia who defeated Japan as a great enemy liable to create a second Pearl Harbour. The reason why America cannot differentiate between friend and foe is that she has become more aggressive than the Japanese. Imperialists with the object of ruling the whole world.

Sing Tao Wan Po: The Pacific question must not be treated as solely involving the Jews. Attention must also be focused on America, Britain and Russia. Of the three nations Russia is the most powerful in the Middle East. Any attempt by Russia to bludgeoning Palestine would

automatically compel Britain and America to intervene with force. Russia is well aware of this. Russia has learned a lesson from Germany's failures in the Balkans. So, even although she has the intention and power to overrun Palestine, she dare not carry out her plans. Therefore, her only alternative is to make use of the Fifth Column to spread disorder and thus create an opportunity to achieve her object.

Wah Kiu Yat Po: America should give close attention to the subject of aiding China. If China cannot obtain aid from outside, there is danger of her falling into the Soviet bloc and becoming a Communist state.

To prevent Soviet influence from increasing in the Far East, America should provide substantial aid to China and should not take advantage of her weakness by planning the annexation of Taiwan (Formosa). America wants to build a defence line in the Far East against Russia. However, we can only accept aid from outside. We cannot permit infringement of our sovereignty.

If America can supply us with material aid, we can build Taiwan into a fortress for national defence. Any designs on our territory is strongly opposed. America's recent unfriendly attitude towards China has aroused ill feeling among the Chinese people. China will have no alternative but to fight any attempt to take Taiwan.

R.A.F. Polar Flights
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PATRICK CAMPBELL'S PIECE

What I must do this week is to devise, once and for all, a laugh, and the right kind of face, for receiving stories. I have been listening to stories about talking dogs, lunatics, Negroes called Rastus, ladies called Audrey, bi-shops, navies, and Englishmen, Scotsmen, and Welshmen for 20 years, and I judge the time has come to put my reactions in order. The ones I have at the moment only lead to trouble. This is the kind of thing that happens.

I am sitting in a winchshop with some intellectual friends. We are sipping an amusing little bottle of Johannesburg '43 and talking about the art of conversation. "Now take Humphrey," says Cyril, "the trouble with Humphrey is that he falls in the return of service."

We settle back. Cyril is usually rather good on the subject of Humphrey. "Conversation," Cyril goes on, "may safely be regarded as a form of tennis. One player hits the ball over the net, and the other returns it—with variations of spin and pace, of course—but the essential thing is that the ball comes back. But it doesn't come back from Humphrey. You serve to Humphrey and he pounces upon it, shakes it wildly, and then dashes off with it into the bushes at the far end of the court."

"Where he proceeds to worry it to death," puts in Julian, "growling and barking and messing about, quite oblivious to the objects of the game."

"And eventually brings it back twenty minutes later, covered with teeth-marks, chewed irreparably out of shape," I finish it off.

"It's usually about now that it happens. The talk has just been to flow with some freedom when an awful man whom I know, distantly, as George comes lurching in."

"Well, roll me over," cries George, "if it isn't old Baldy! I have to introduce him to my friends."

"Well, well," shouts George— "what are we drinking? Methy-lated, with a dash of conditioning powder?" He roars with laughter, slapping his leg. "Here, garcon," he bellows, "bring us another basinful of the same again! May as well be dead as the way we are."

In an attempt to quieten him I explain that we are discussing the art of conversation.

"Good for you!" cries George, half employing his glass. Here, have you heard that one about the two justices in the basket-weaving shop?"

"This is where I go wrong. I ought to let him tell us about the two lunatics in the basket-weaving shop, in the hope that it will be over quickly, but instead I put up a fight."

"No, no," I cry—"no stories! Let us have conversation, communion between souls.... It is a good temper, nothing but a good temper, George accepts it for what it's worth. As a matter of fact, he pays no attention to it what-ever."

"Won't take half a minute," he says—"it's good. There are these two lunatics, see, and one of them holds up his fist, slonched, and says to the other, 'What have I got in here?'"

I intervene again. I am terrified of what my intellectual friends may be thinking of this performance. "It's something like an elephant or cow, or something," I say to George—"speed it up a bit." I am smiling broadly, to show that no offence is intended.

"Hold on a minute," says George—"I'm telling this one." He looks at me angrily, and turns back to the larger audience. "The second lunatic," he goes on, "looks at the fist, and he says, 'You've got a pillar-box in there.' 'No,' says the first lunatic, 'it's not a pillar-box! It's a tram!' says the second lunatic, 'No,' says the first lunatic, 'not a tram either.'"

My intellectual friends are watching George with rapt attention. They have obviously never seen anything like this before. I must do something to save George and myself—from their X-ray eyes.

"I don't want to interrupt again," I break in, "but are we going to go through all the large-sized objects in the universe? I've got to help George through it somehow. But George, curiously enough, doesn't seem to think I'm trying to help him. George, in fact, turns on me savagely."

"How about having some manners?" says George. "How about shutting your damn mouth when a chap is trying to tell a story?"

The intellectuals shift their gaze from George to me. They are clearly interested, in a remote way, to see how this minor quarrel will resolve itself. But now I, too, have lost my temper. "Listen," I say to George. "No one, in the first place, asked you to sit down here. In the second place, the telling of stories is work for a professional comedian, and its proper place is on the music-hall stage. It is a social crime of the highest order to impose a long, rambling monologue, to which there cannot possibly be any reply, upon a group of complete strangers, and expect them to laugh at the end of a piece of nonsense that would scarcely amuse an octogenarian in the suburbs, in a wind, wind and limb. Now, will you kindly shut up, or get out."

At this point George reaches for my throat, a couple of bored men leaning against the bar join in the management's attempt, and in the subsequent upheaval it is quite impossible to remember how so fierce a disagreement could conceivably have broken out.

But when I gather myself, outside in the street, I can remember. My collar is hanging by a single thread, because I cannot bear to listen to stories.

I cannot maintain a look of expectancy while they are in progress; I cannot laugh at their conclusion; nor can I invent an adequate comment when the laughter has died and we are waiting for the next.

But something must be done. Even if it kills me I must learn to laugh. As things are now I am gaining an ugly reputation for bawling, around the clubs.

TAX OFFICIALS SENTENCED
Shanghai, Dec. 13.
A Chinese court today sentenced five officials of Shanghai's Direct Tax Bureau to five years imprisonment on charges of corruption. Two others were acquitted.

The accused were charged with extorting money from furniture dealers.—United Press.

URUGUAY CABINET RESIGNS
Montevideo, Dec. 13.
The entire Uruguay Cabinet today handed their resignation to President L. Berres at a prolonged meeting held after the resignation of the Foreign Minister, Senor Mateo Marquez Castro.—Reuter.

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A Train of Camels Enters Palestine from Syria by the Five-thousand-year-old Caravan Route

"The Entering-in of Hamath" was the traditional pass from Syria into Palestine when the Tribe of Dan took up their residence by the head waters of the Jordan.

There is no lovelier place in all Middle East than the upper part of the Jordan valley in the spring. It is the only place I know in that arid, heart-breaking battleground between man and sun and sand, in which there is any breath of gentleness. Renan, in his "Life of Jesus," says that Jesus, though he came from Nazareth, was always more at home in the Galilee fishing-villages. For Nazareth is a hill town, bare, stony, harsh, abrupt; but the foothills which fall from the west to the shore of Galilee, only a day's walk from Nazareth are suave, gentle and green in season—the right background for a gospel of peace.

I sat by the lakeside at Tiberias—untidy village with two thousand years of history behind it and a promising future as a watering place—and looked over the water to Mount Hermon, snowcapped in April, rising head and shoulders over the northern foothills. Hermon dominates the upper Jordan, and deservedly; for to the summerlong melting of his snows the river owes its perpetual flow. Without the 9,000 feet of Hermon, Jordan might be no more than a barren wadi, a torrent for a week of the year, a string of brackish pools for a month or two, then dry banks and sandy bed. But the great mountain deals out his bounty thriftily, and is rewarded by a green forecourt to his majesty. His aspect from this side is not unlike that of Skiddaw, seen from Borrowdale over Derwentwater.

From Tiberias, I could see a marked distinction between the eastern and the western sides of the valley. The grace is all on the western side. These hills fall in grassy curves to the water's edge: they have shapelessness and variety; a dark crag lowers over Magdala (Mary Magdalen's village); a grove of trees flecks the shoreline where Andrew and Simon Peter kept their boat. On the eastern side (Syria to the north, Trans-Jordan to the south) the hills are forlorn and featureless, as if the desert had spilled over into the valley. The lower ground slopes tamely to the lake; Gadara was on that bank, and I am troubled to know where the swine found a steep place to run down.

In the trough of the valley it is green all the year round. But the grass on the hillsides hardly outlives May. The winter rains beget it; in the summer sun, it perishes. "In the

THE LANDSCAPE OF THE CHRISTIAN STORY

morning, it is green and groweth up; in the evening it is withered and cut down." But while the lush spring lasts, I have seen nothing like it. It is a green shot through with all the colours of the floral palette. There are great yellow Michaelmas daisies so profuse that, at a little distance, they make islands of yellow in the green setting. A blue flower like a Canterbury bell competes with the daisies. As you come closer, these long-distance effects yield to the intenser colour of the smaller flowers—the piercing blue of the gentians, poppies in passionate scarlet, wild tulips, anemones, three or four brilliant vetches, asphodel. One can hardly step from the path without trampling down a flower, and in the Middle East, to tread on a flower feels like dropping pearls down a gutter.

The high road climbs the hill beyond Magdala, making for Rosh Pinah and the Syrian frontier and leaves on its right a hillock which makes a promontory into the lake. This is, by tradition, the Mount of the Beatitudes ("Blessed are the poor in spirit"—I think Jesus meant those who prefer in their hearts to be poor because they do not care to be rich; not what we now mean by "poor-spirited.") On this, the Italians built, before the war, a small domed chapel, and a hostel for pilgrims; it is served by Italian nuns.

From the chapel, a rough path slants down the hillside to Capernaum, and then follows the shore to where the Jordan flows into the lake. The river here is a clear placid stream, perhaps thirty or forty feet across, flowing through green meadows. At the confluence, on the west side, is an Arab village—fifty or sixty dwellings, tents of black goatskin, sometimes reinforced with a buttress of sods or by a screen of matted reeds. It is a more or less permanent village, for there is water all the year, but it still looks like an encampment of nomads—all but the house of the head man of the village, a wooden hut, like an army hut, with

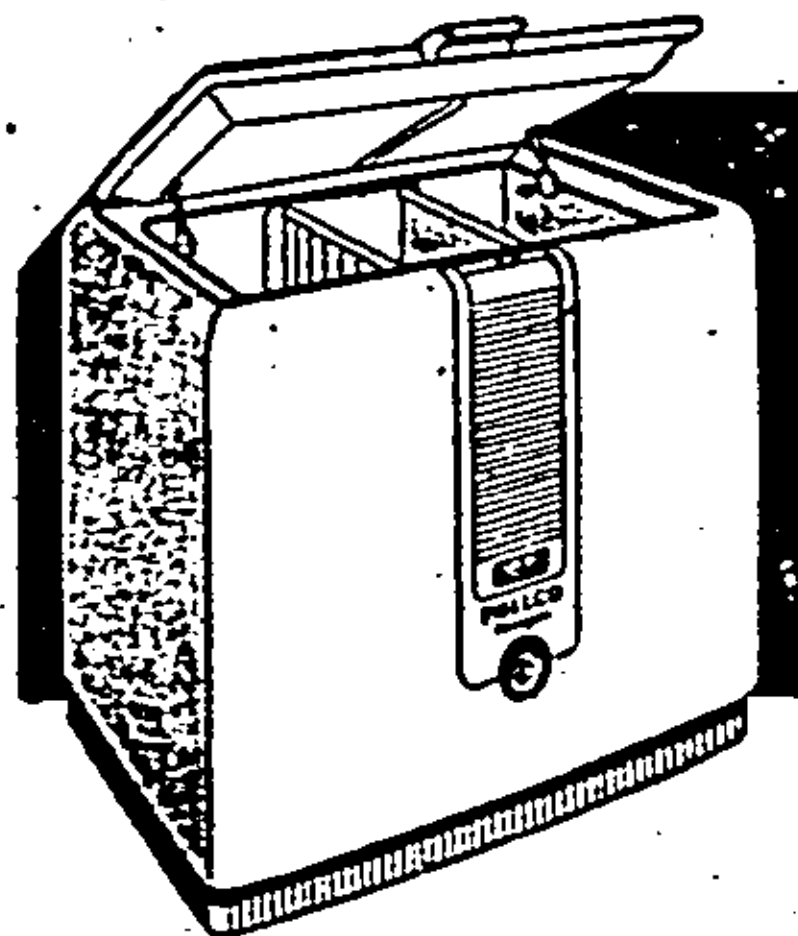
two rooms and (this shook me a little) the telephone laid on. His name is Nasif Khoury. We called on him (I was walking with the local police officer) and found him settling accounts with his fishermen.

As we talked, three wildly-clad horsemen with carbines on their shoulders trotted along the opposite bank. They are part of a sort of frontier guard maintained, not by the

Syrian government, but by the landowner who holds most of the land across the marshy flat which was once the proud city of Bethsaida. "Woe unto thee, Bethsaida," said Jesus. "For if the mighty works had been done in Tyre and Sidon, which had been done in you, they had a great while ago repented, sitting in sack-cloth and ashes." But Bethsaida did not repent, and there is now not a stone to show where it stood.

There is little more of Capernaum itself. There survives the mosaic floor, and the base of the outer wall, of the synagogue where Jesus first stood forward to speak his mind in public; and some fragments of a Roman bath-

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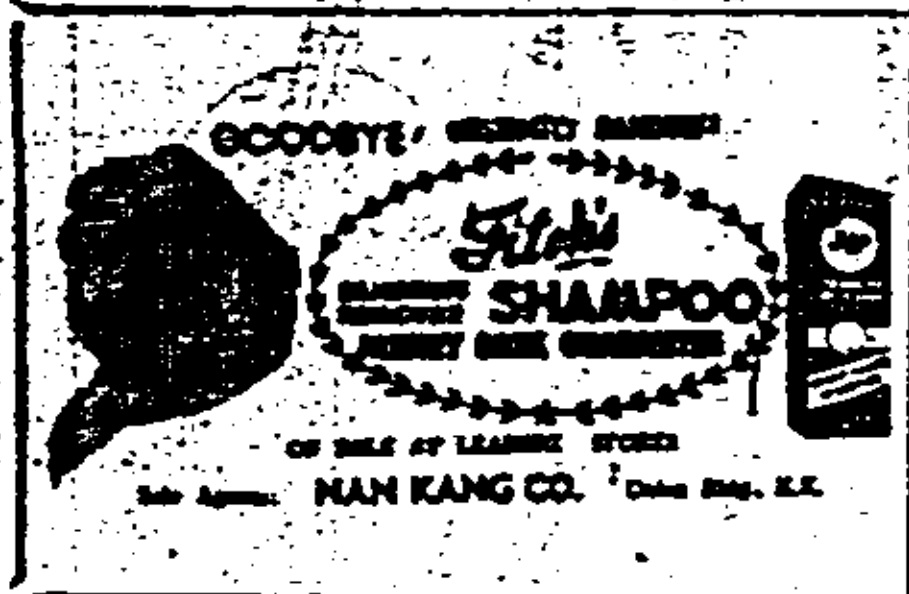
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In Lighter Vein

A publishing firm in Dundee is offering \$500 in prizes for the best stories. Those Government stories about plenty of houses to be built have not yet been entered, however.

A police chief lays it down that it is the duty of people driving cars to avoid pedestrians. Even if it is not a duty, it is a good idea.

One can hardly blame the innocent child who asked his parents where he could see some of the "prevaricated" houses.

A San Francisco man left £25,000 to the United States Government, to help pay for the war. He did not, however, specify which bit he wanted to finance.

With all these complexion-creams and things, being advertised all over the place, a chap may be excused for wondering whether, after all, beauty is only skin dope.

Canteen Conversation:
 "Then you reckon that generals don't know nothin' about war 'an campaign-in'?"
 "Generals know one thing all right"
 "And what's that?"
 "They know enough not to tote a ruddy rifle around with 'em."

A doctor of Porthcawl, Glam., taught himself to speak Welsh in six months according to a news-item, which does not give any reason for the rash act.

"Should a man be allowed to spend his own money?" asks Mr. Ralph Ascheton, M.P. It all depends on whether he is married or not.

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NEWS QUIZ

1. The Prime Minister of Belgium defended King Leopold's past conduct this week. Who is the present P.M.?
2. The head of Krupp's armament works in Germany was brought before a War Crimes Court this week. What is his full name?
3. Where did Indonesian and Dutch negotiators meet this week to confer on the United Nations' effort to settle the Indonesian-Dutch dispute?
4. The Commander-in-Chief of Telaviv area for the Haganah organisation was shot dead in an Arab ambush on December 8. Who was he?
5. Somebody else of note died on December 8—a very famous advocate of Empire unity, and one of a family which has been represented in the House of Commons every century since the House began.
6. Air Commander-in-Chief, Far East, visited Hong Kong this week. Do you know his rank, and name?
7. A Special Committee of the House of Commons recommended this week that Princess

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. Can you name the Seven Wonders of the World without checking back?
2. Pronounced just the way it's spelt—but what is Popocatepetl?
3. How much and which way does Hong Kong's time differ from Greenwich Time?
4. Surely you know this one—what are the dates of VE Day, and VJ Day?
5. Another Lucky Seven question: What are the seven cardinal virtues?
6. The Empire State Building, in New York, USA, is usually recognised as the world's highest (1,248 feet). But it isn't. What is the highest building in the world?
7. What are the principal organs of the United Nations?
8. Do you know the origin of the word "Tory"?

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Elizabeth and her husband be given a certain sum (plus "appropriate expenses," if necessary). How much is it to be?

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The Sunday Herald

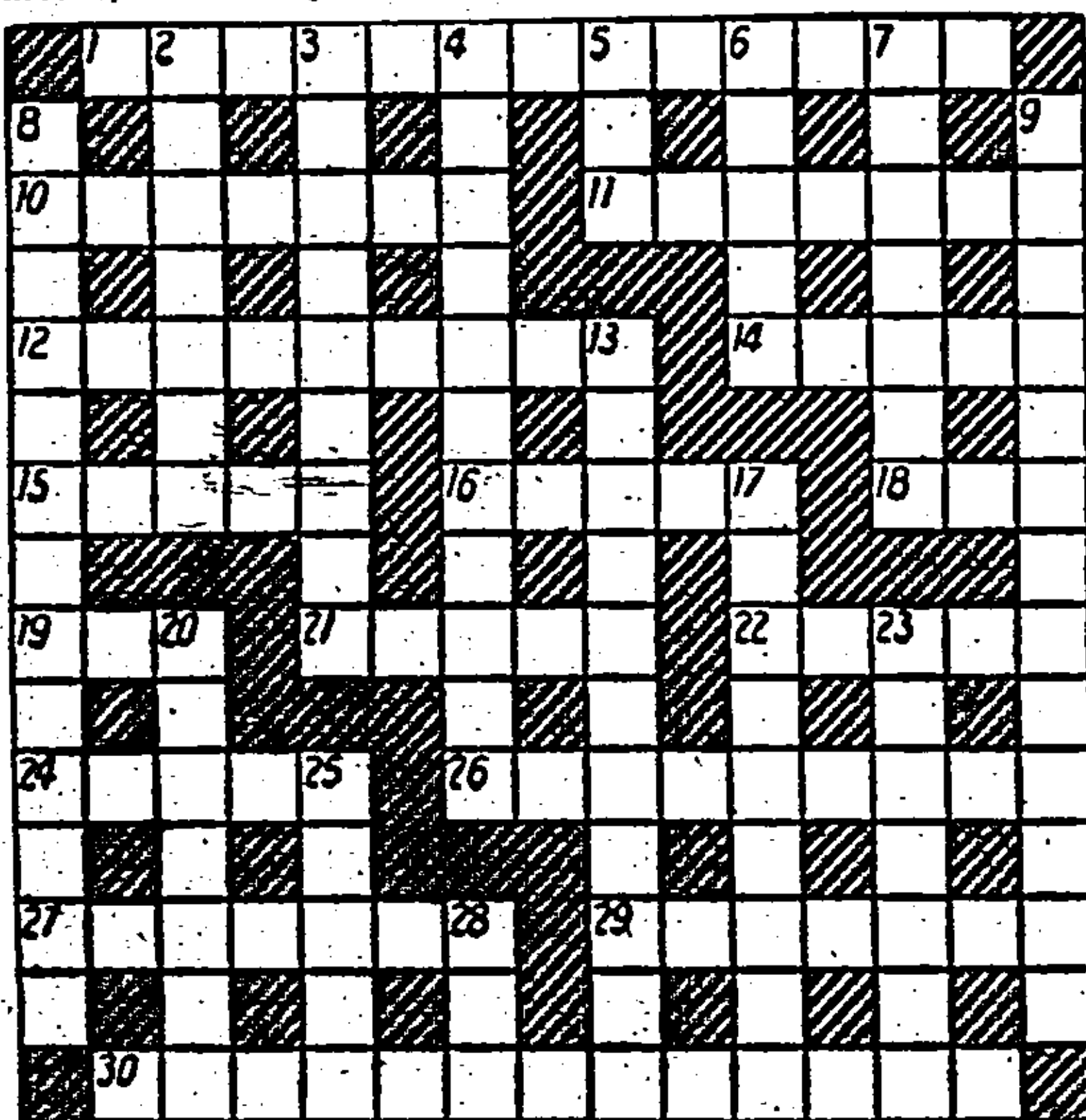
CROSSWORD No. 34

ACROSS

- 1 Exercise on the black notes? (5, 8)
- 10 It isn't tan at the moment. (7)
- 11 "A—glory shineth is the face." As—as the glory is the face." (Richard II.) (7)
- 12 With which all is ground in "the mills of God." (9)
- 14 Mr. Gallacher, for instance, with a snow shoe. (5)
- 15 Met in going to St. Ives. (5)
- 16 Running tie. (5)
- 18 O, this needs no stamp. (3)
- 19 When it gets in the basket there's little credit to it. (3)
- 21 It's only a small collection. (5)
- 22 Put the stone back in its place. (5)
- 24 It took all the life out of Cleopatra. (5)
- 26 Gains by misappropriation presumably. (5, 4)
- 27 He proved the better surface. (7)
- 29 Spritely girl guide. (7)
- 30 Was St. Paul's reference to the trombone, for example? (8, 5)

DOWN

- 2 Let the ass rush into the cavalry. (7)
- 3 Shamrock of course could not actually be this. (4, 5)
- 4 A model apartment for a foundryman. (7, 4)
- 5 Vestment that appears to weigh 16 oz. (3)
- 6 Constellation relatively paired off. (5)
- 7 Small relative of the sea-lion? (3-4)
- 8 Naval description of Quaker meeting? (6, 7)
- 9 How the barque Tiger was bewitched. (7-6)
- 13 Housewife's gain from counter-attack? (8, 3)
- 17 First opening at the theatre. (5, 4)
- 20 There was no shortage of course in this past era. (4, 3)
- 23 It sounds as if it must be a marked town. (7)
- 25 Look, the fellows have come round for the fruit. (5)
- 28 The kind of drink to be taken in doctor's diet for teetotaler. (3)



SOLUTION TO No. 33.—Across: 1 Father, 9 of the House, 10 Pallid, 11 Incomplete, 12 Cotton, 13 Pilasters, 14 Sirrah, 16 Angle, 19 Satrap, 21 One and All, 23 Dipper, 24 Trespasser, 25 Imogen, 26 Corned Beef, 27 Tittle.
Down: 2 Anatolia, 3 Holster, 4 Rodin, 5 Sticking Plaster, 6 Team Races, 7 Hoplite, 8 Ishtar, 15 Hand-maids, 17 Harebell, 18 Passing, 20 Topcoat, 22 Norroy, 23 Drift.



BRIDGE

By YARBOROUGH

The record (team-of-four) competition for The Sunday Times Trophy ended in London with a clear victory for a Middlesex team consisting of Dr. Fraser Allan (captain) and Messrs. Geoffrey Butler, Ian MacLeod, R. Nicole and J. Pavlides, who played wonderful bridge, and were well in front all the way. Two London teams, Mr. Tarlo's and Mr. Baron's followed, and after them came Mr. Goldblatt's team from Belfast, and Dr. O'Dowd's team from Dublin.

Here are two interesting examples of the slam-bidding technique of the winners:

West	East
K x x x	A J 10 x x
K	A Q 10 9 8 x
K Q J	none
J x x x x	K x

West made the very shaded opening bid of One Spade; North bids Two Diamonds, East Three Diamonds! South Pass. West Three No-trumps (now no doubt feeling rather anxious), North Pass, and East Six Spades. North's opening lead was a singleton Heart. West took the trick and led the King of Diamonds covered by North's Ace and ruffed. Two rounds of Spades followed, dropping the Queen. Then East's two Clubs were thrown on West's winning Diamonds, and the rest was routine.

West	East
A x x	x
none	K Q J 9 8 x x
x x x x x	A K Q
A K Q J 10 x	x x

The winner's bidding was: West One Club, East Two Hearts, West Three Clubs, East Four Hearts, West Six Clubs. The contract was made. Their opponents preferred a contract in Hearts, which they had to lose two tricks as one adversary held Hearts, 10, x, x, x, and the other Hearts, A.



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Pictures by Howard Baer
Text by Emily Hahn
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MY LIFE STORY

By Joe Louis

(Eldon Press; 189pp; illustrated; 8/8).

"I will fight as long as I feel that I can defend my title, but I'll quit for sure when I start getting hit. After all I promised that I would be fighting champion and I have tried to be just that..... I think I will be around for a little while yet."

None will deny that Joe Louis has been a 'fighting champion.' In the ten years which have passed since he captured the world heavyweight championship from Jim Braddock on a June day in 1937, the 'Brown Bomber' has successfully defended his crown again 23 challengers..... a remarkable record and quite unique in boxing history.

Louis's story of his life inside and outside the ring is told with modesty, and he does not forget to recall that his first fight..... as a raw eighteen-year-old amateur ... ended in defeat. Then, again, he writes at greater length about the beating meted out by Max Schmeling at the Yankee Stadium in 1936, than he does about any of his victories. This frankness, however, hardly absolves the publishers from criticism for hailing "the unbeaten Joe Louis" on the book's dust jacket.

PENICILLIN—A DRAMATIC STORY

By Boris Sokoloff,
Allen & Unwin Ltd., \$9.35

The story of Penicillin is a dramatic one—of scientists who tried for decades to penetrate the mystery of naturally existing microbe-fighting substances. There was desperation and hope, failure and enthusiasm, bitterness and unshakable belief. On more than one occasion scientists were on the verge of discovering the germ-destroying factor.

Then in 1928, by pure chance, Dr. Alexander Fleming (now Sir Alexander) in his laboratory at St. Mary's Hospital in London, hatched a strange mould on one side of a laboratory plate. It was a fascinating mould. In a most peculiar fashion the colonies of bacteria in the region of this mould had disappeared. It was a green-blue mould—*Penicillium notatum*—and it was destined to become the producer of the wonder drug penicillin.

This drug may yet fulfil the dreams and hopes of generations of scientists. The fundamental facts about penicillin are firmly established but, as Dr. Sokoloff points out, there are many important questions still unanswered. He goes on to give a detailed, non-technical account of the infections which penicillin will cure and how it cures; he provides a vast amount of factual information about every aspect of penicillin and its use, designed to give the reader an intelligent understanding of a medical miracle which has captured the imagination of the world.

ASSAULT DIVISION

By Norman Scarfe.

(Collin; 288pp; illustrated; 12/6)

"Assault Division".....what an appropriate title for the story of the 3rd British Infantry Division from its landing on the Normandy coast at Queen Beach to its capture of city of Bremen and the German surrender 11 months later. After being selected as one of the five Allied divisions for the assault on Germany's Atlantic Wall, the 3rd Division fought with outstanding gallantry in the three battles named by General Eisenhower as the most decisive in the campaign..... the Normandy Beaches, the Falaise Pocket and the February and March battles waged between the Rivers Meuse and Rhine. None, therefore, should dispute its designation by the historian.

Norman Scarfe is particularly well qualified to compile a detailed and authentic record of the Division's distinguished role in the North-West Europe campaign. From the summer days in 1943 when the "3rd" went into training on the damp moorlands round the Solway Firth, Scarfe served as Gunner Officer with a Field Regiment.

Unit War Diaries were used, of course, to verify events and tactical data, but throughout the narrative the first sources of information were the battalion stories of "Steve Hemingway of the Suffolks, Jack Harrod of the Lincolns" and others.

It is, for example, most unlikely that any War Diary would record the following incident which goes to emphasise the confusion of the struggle before the enemy was thrown out of Caen:—

"C Company Commander of the Suffolks, trying to arrange consolidation, was harassed by a spandau that kept interrupting him. 'Suddenly seeing two tanks, he crossed to one of them to ask for fire support on the intruder. A head rose from the turret and each stared at the other in silence. The gun began to swing round, the British officer bolted, and though chased back on to the position, managed to reach a slit-trench before being fired at. Lieutenant Woodward with a PIAT disabled one of the Mark IVs and the other was knocked out by Private Crick, who was killed almost immediately by shell-fire. The position was consolidated by four that afternoon."

SEX IN OUR CHANGING WORLD

By John McPartland,
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This is the history, and these are the problems, which John McPartland explores in his fascinating new book, **SEX IN OUR CHANGING WORLD.**

OF LOVE AND HUNGER

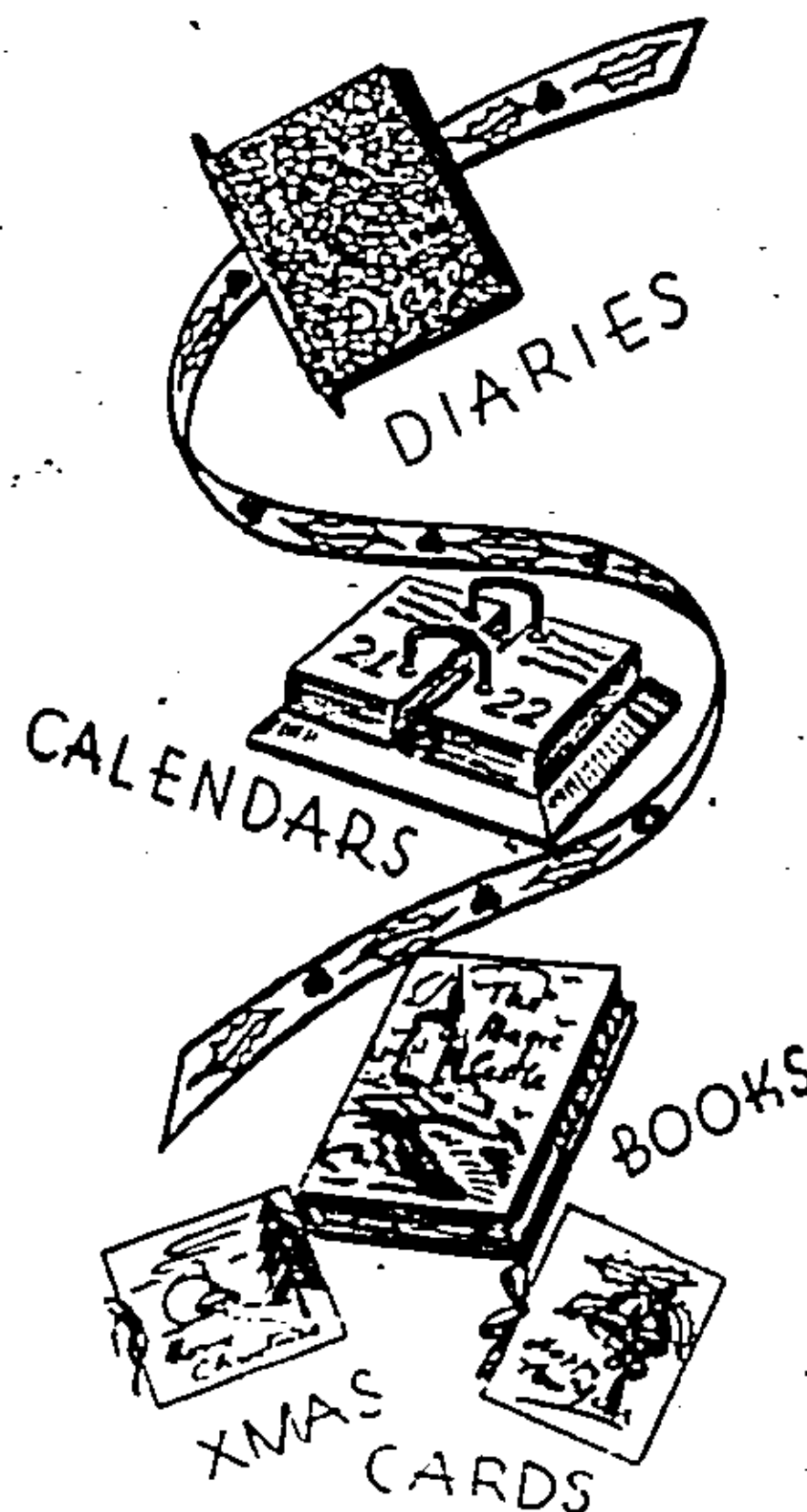
By J. Maclaren-Ross

(Wingate; 218pp; 8/6).

"Of Love and Hunger" presents an uncannily true picture of the lives eked out by young men in the 1930's and, no doubt, by countless disillusioned ex-servicemen to-day.

Richard Francis Fanshawe belonged to a type, which only the war rescued from the dejection and futility of a rootless and shiftless existence. The 'Fanshaws' are familiar enough to most suburban housewives. Often they will have stood on their doorsteps and listened to a young man, wearing a faded old school tie and a shabby raincoat, as he tries to sell them a vacuum-cleaner or a pair of silk stockings. This well-bred young man, who hawks his wares from door to door is obviously 'browned off' with his shaky job and dismal prospects.

J. Maclaren-Ross, who is already well-known as one of the liveliest writers of short stories, has adapted his racy style with brilliant effect in this full-length novel, and there can be no question that his characters, including the women with whom Fanshawe falls in love, have their parallels in the flesh.



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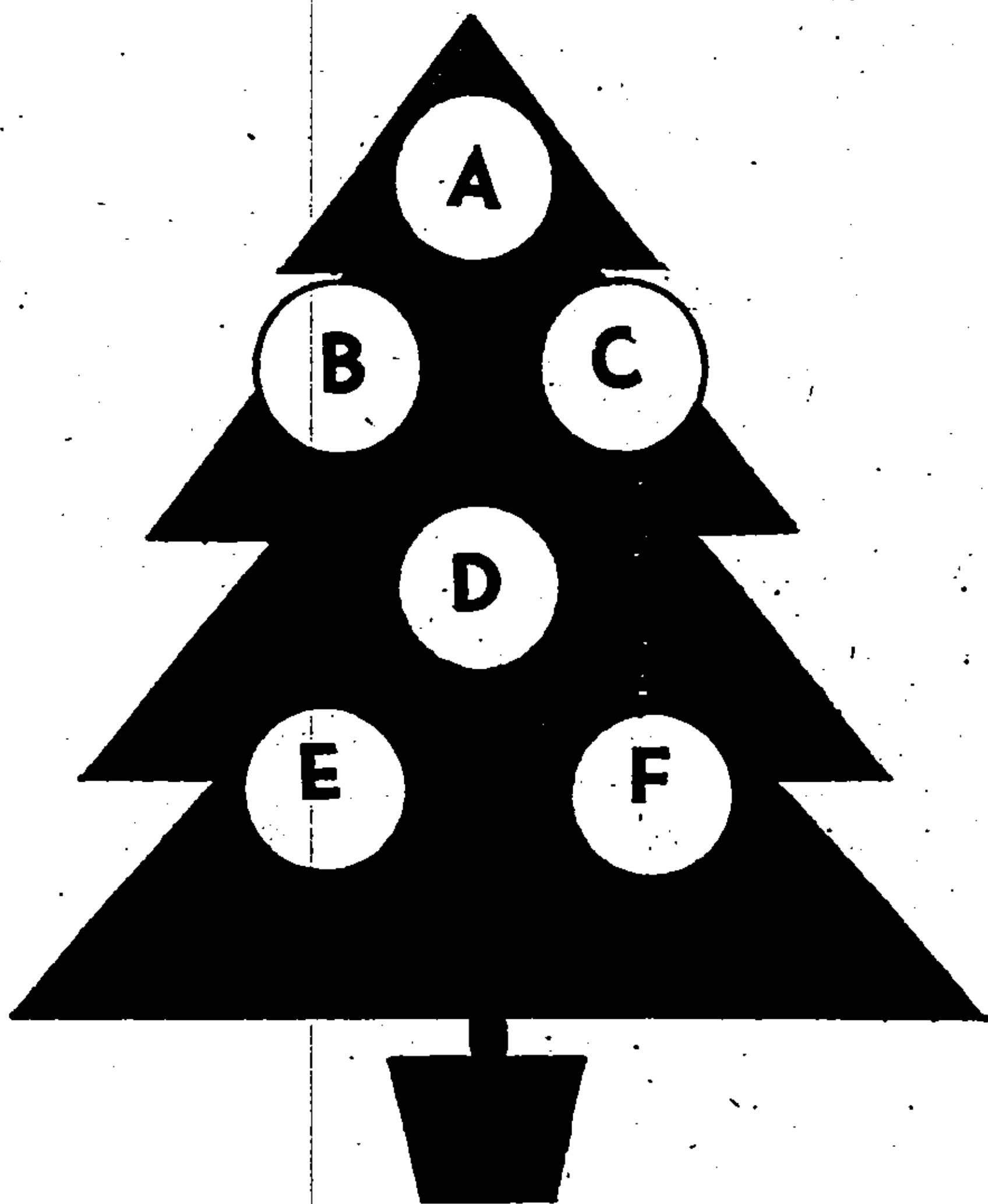
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We got him when he was just a puppy, about nine years ago. We called him Christmas, because my father gave him to all of us for Christmas, but later on we called him Chris for short.

He was a cocker spaniel, black with white spots on his coat. Whenever he ate anything his ears dropped into his bowl first, and we had to comb them for hours before they were clean again.

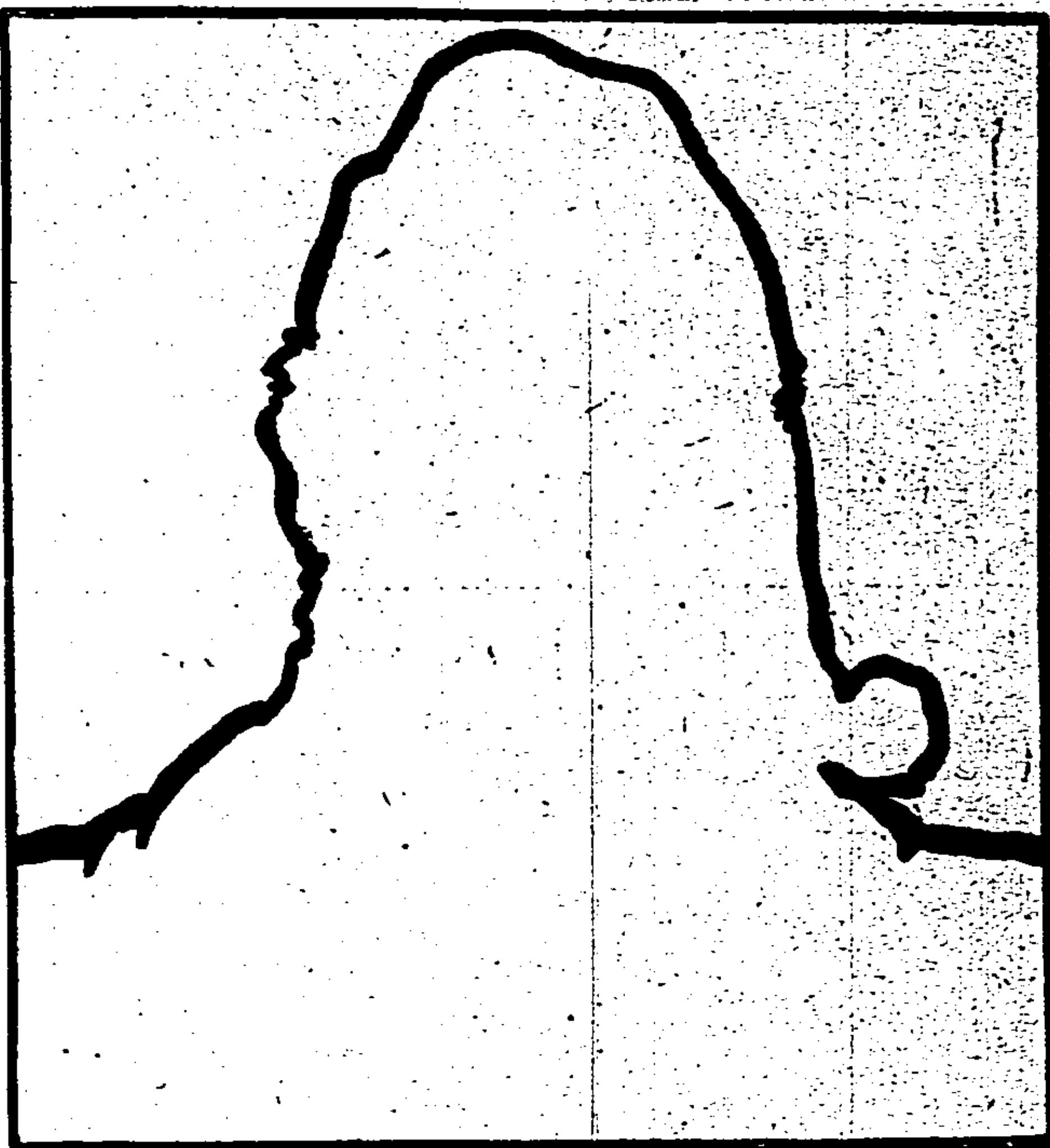
Where we lived there were a lot of ticks, and so we could find them before it was too late we always combed him every night. We would comb him first, and then Mother did afterwards, and she usually found the

ticks first. He was sick about three times with ticks, but after a while they did not worry him so much.

Chris was very fond of us all. If we went away he would sit on the doorstep, looking as if he were going to cry. When we got home again he would jump up all over us, and then he'd run away and pick up a dirty old bone and give it to us. He was very sad if we didn't take it, but sometimes it was very earthy.

We thought we had better not bring him out to Hong Kong with us because he was so old. But I wish we could have. Now that it's Christmas time again, we're all hoping that Father will give us a dog. We'd call it Chris, after the other one.

(C. F. M. Curtis, (14)), Hong Kong Award * * *



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My Boat

Little waves, I've brought the boat
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For I want to see it float
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Take it in your little hands,
Bear it over the golden sands,
What a pretty boat it is
Sail and mast and all;
Father made it just like this
Only very small.

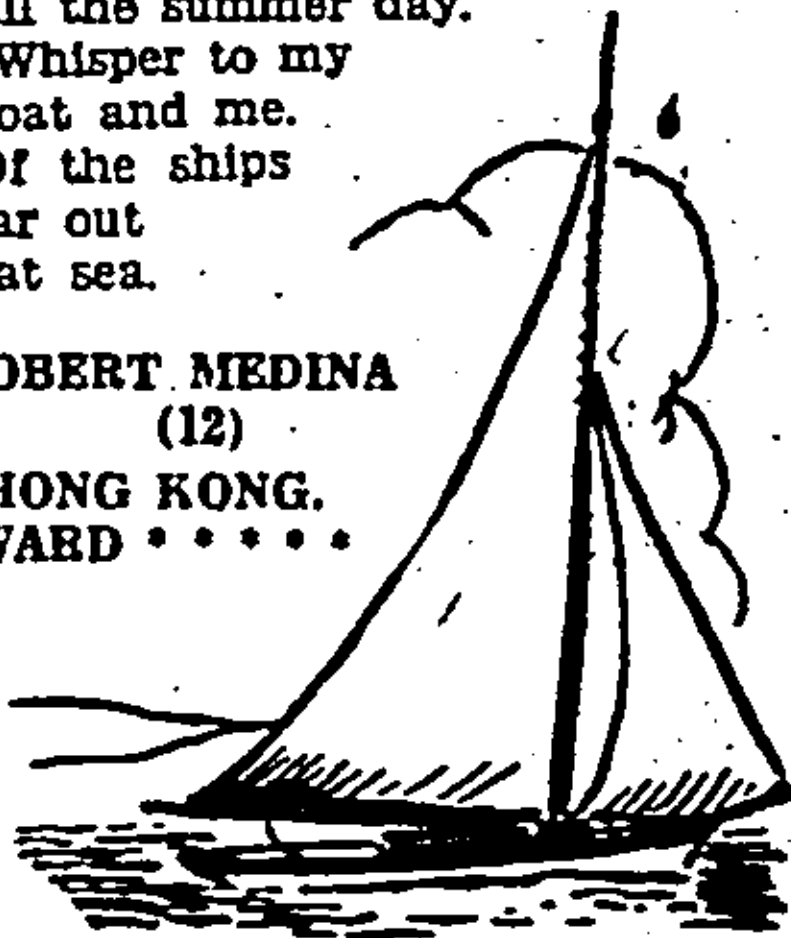
And I'm going to call it "Sun";
That's the name of father's one.
Little waves, come up and creep
Round my little boat.

Where the water's ankle-deep
I shall see it float;
And you'll sing your sweetest song
As it sails and sails along.
Tell me what you sing about,
Tell me what you say,
Coming in and going out
All the summer day.

Whisper to my
boat and me.
Of the ships
far out
at sea.

ROBERT MEDINA
(12)

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Captain Marvel, Jr.

Francis Basto, (14), Kowloon
Award * * * * *

Boys and Girls, we want more contributions from you.
This is your column, in your own page, and we want you to fill it for us.

Come on—who's coming in next week?

We publish these contributions in good faith, not knowing whether they are original or not.

Auntie Vee

Our Serial Story

Shylock The Second:

By PETER JACOBS.

It was young Dicky Richards who nicknamed the old man "Shylock, the Second."

That was way back in those pre-Belsen days, when one could make one's weekly income stretch almost right up to actual cost of living.

Dicky was the office-boy: "Shylock" was really Mr. Binns, senior clerk. I was just one of a dozen other pen-pushers in the employ of Messrs. Angell, Donovan and Co., Ltd., brokers.

Binns was a queer fellow in many ways, though none of us in the office knew much about him. He lived alone in squalid diggings, somewhere in Islington. If there ever had been a Mrs. Binns we had never heard anything about her.

We could never get Binns to take any part in the usual office frivolities. He never entered any sweepstakes; was never asked to contribute to wedding presents and the various little testimonials that lighten the burden of toil in the average office at least once a month.

Young Dicky Richards was the bane of the old man's life. Binns was for ever chasing him, remonstrating with him "ticking him off" for untidiness or unpunctuality. He was always threatening to report the boy to the manager with a view to having him fired—and yet never doing it.

One memorable Thursday when office finances were at their lowest a sensation was caused, when Dicky, addressing the office in general, asked if anyone could and would lend him a shilling to buy some lunch.

It was Binns who made the loan, much to everybody's surprise. There was even greater surprise the next day, when Dicky, repaying the borrowed shilling, found himself faced with a demand for "interest." Binns actually insisted that the boy should pay him one penny interest on the loan.

Dicky did not argue. He paid up and there and then dubbed Mr. Binns "Shylock, the Second."

The following week there was a good deal of loud comment about rates of interest approaching 3,000 per cent per annum, all of which was aimed at Binns. But "Shylock" ignored everyone as usual, and even went so far as to offer Dicky a similar loan on the same terms, when the end of the week drew near.

So our uneventful humdrum lives went on, week in and week out, all through the Munich Year, and right up to that momentous Sunday morning on which the British Prime Minister came to the reluctant conclusion that he could no longer appease Mr. Schickelgruber and get away with it.

The resulting mobilisation somewhat wrecked the organisation at the offices of Messrs. Angell, Donovan and Co. This may have been a minor matter as far as the country was concerned, but it was pretty serious for the partners.

About nine of us, including young Dicky, were then in Terrier mobs, and were called upon to report at our depot by noon on the following day.

Mr. Donovan, the only surviving partner of the firm, decided to do things in a traditional manner, and insisted upon giving a farewell dinner to the staff before we set forth on an adventure that was to last six years.

I don't think any of us will ever forget that dinner.

It took place in a West-End restaurant, which was being hastily blacked-out, and, half the time we were eating, we were being gazed at by green-aproned servitors, who were busily erecting black-out gadgets, which very few of them thought would ever be needed.

Everyone on the staff had turned up, including "Shylock." It was not the social side of the function that had attracted him.

Here was a chance of getting something for nothing—and Mr. Binns seized it with both hands.

There was a sort of false safety in the air throughout the very excellent meal that the firm provided. Right at

the very beginning, Mr. Binns gave us another insight into his strange character, too.

There were oysters on the menu. Whitstable natives and choice ones, too.

Mr. Binns glared at the half-dozen on the half-shell that were placed before him.

"Bah!" he snapped. "Useless, wasteful things! No one has the right to eat oysters at the price they charge for them."

"Don't you like oysters, Binnsy?" asked Dickie with a grin. "Maybe you're more used to cockles. Don't you want those?"

"I have never allowed myself to like any food that costs money like oysters do!" snapped Binns. "On principle I won't eat these—even though they cost me nothing!"

He pushed the plate aside and young Dicky seized it eagerly.

"Seems a funny sort of principle," he said. "Here's mud in your eye, Binnsy! Mind you keep the old flag flying in the firm while we're all away!"

A few seconds later Dicky made a startling discovery. I heard him utter an exclamation and saw a strange look dart across his face. A moment later he put his hand to his mouth and removed something which he held in his hand and studied closely.

"Jiminy!" he cried. "It looks like a pearl! Could it be a pearl, Peter?"

It certainly looked like a genuine pearl to me. It was very tiny, a mere seed pearl but a pearl it certainly was as Mr. Donovan confirmed a little later when he offered Dicky ten pounds for his remarkable find.

The effect upon old Binns was remarkable. When he realised that he had actually refused ten pounds in the shape of a pearl by the simple act of upholding a principle and refusing to eat oysters his face was a study.

Dicky didn't let the matter rest, either. For the rest of that all-too-short evening he twitted and chipped old Shylock unmercifully.

"Never refuse oysters again, Binnsy!" he admonished the old man. "Next time you might get one worth a fortune!"

The evening ended with Mr. Donovan making a patriotic speech, during which he said the nicest things about such members of his staff who were now departing for other activities. Quite the nicest things he said were (a) that Army pay would be made up to equal our civvy wages, and (b) our jobs would be waiting for us when the war was over.

From that moment our ways diverged, and, though I bumped into one of the boys coming back from Dunkirk, and had a hasty conversation with another on the edge of a Burmese jungle, I lost touch with Messrs. Angell, Donovan and Co., until I came home on leave soon after V.E. Day.

Naturally, I had to pay a visit to the office and thank Mr. Donovan for all he had done for me. I found the offices after some difficulty. Half the lane in which the office had stood was blasted out of existence, but eventually I found my way to the boss and said my little say. Naturally I asked for news of my colleagues. There was a very small crowd working outside these days—and I didn't know a soul among them.

Fletcher had been killed, the boss told me. Johnson was a P.O.W. of the Japs. Beverly was a wing-co, and still on service out East. Young Dicky was a tank-captain, and was lying badly wounded in an Italian hospital, but would eventually be home. There was also news of several of the others who had been called up in their

various groups after we had left. There was news, too, of the girls who in their turn had laid aside their shorthand notebooks and devoted their talents to other ends.

The short time between V.E. Day, V.J. Day and demobilisation simply flew past me, and before I quite realised it I was back in the gloomy office of Angell, Donovan and Co., and picking up my work almost where I had left it.

One by one others drifted back, and, in due course, Captain Dicky Richards arrived to see the boss and to talk over its future. Mr. Donovan had some plan regarding Dicky. Obviously an ex-captain with an M.C. couldn't be taken back to lick envelopes and keep a stamp-book.

Dicky seemed very satisfied with the interview, and insisted on taking such of his old pals as were available over to the office "local" to celebrate. It was over the second half-pint that he asked for news of old Binns.

"Binns! Of course! I'd forgotten him!" I said. "Though I did ask about him when I was on leave last year. Seems he left Angell, Donovan and Co. soon after we joined up. No one seems ever to have heard of him again."

"Poor old Shylock!" said Dicky with a funny little smile. "You know, Peter, I was very fond of him—miserable old blighter though he was. I wonder what happened to him. I've a dashed good mind to try to find the old duffer. I'd hate to think he was in want or anything like that."

It was a month later ere Dicky turned up at the office again. He was wearing his demob pin-stripe and trimmings, and he lugged me straight over to the local.

"I found out what happened to Binnsy," he said. "It's a queer tale and—in a way I'm responsible for it."

Over a succession of half-pints Dicky told me this story.

It appears that Binnsy had left the firm after working out a month's notice, and hadn't told a soul in the city where he was going. After some difficulty Dicky had traced somebody who'd known the old man in the neighbourhood in which he had lived, and had there learned that he had suddenly developed a craving for oysters.

"It appears that not only did he spend all his spare cash on buying and swallowing oysters, but he also broke into his life-savings and soon went through them, too," Dicky explained. "You can understand that—the way oysters went up in price during the war. You can guess what he was after, Peter! Remember the little pearl I found the night we went off to join up?"

"I knew the old boy took the loss of that pearl rather badly," I commented. "But I never dreamed he'd go crackers like that."

"Crackers is right," said Dicky rather become a mania with him. Not only solemnly. "Pearl-seeking seemed to did he spend his cash on buying the dam' things, but he eventually got himself a job as a waiter in an oyster bar. I've just come from the place this morning. I saw his last employer. Snakes! What a tale he told me! It's—pitiable. I can't think of any other word for it."

"Maybe we can get him back," I said. "Mr. Donovan's a decent old stick. We could find him a job as a messenger or something like that."

"Maybe—if we're not too late!" said Dicky. "Listen! Old Binnsy worked at this oyster bar all through the war. His boss said that he knew the old boy was a bit—funny in the head. But he was a good worker, and the customers liked him. He was always on duty an hour before time, and was never in a hurry to go home. He would eat nothing but oysters, and he spent most of his wages and all his tips in buying the dam' things. He couldn't possibly have eaten all the dozens and dozens of 'em that he bought—but the boss said he would linger over them, turning them this way and that; searching—ever searching for the pearl he was so sure he would find one day."

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Dicky paused and took a long sip at his beer.

"Last week the old man suddenly redoubled his efforts," he went on. "Business was booming and the more oysters he opened and served the more excited old Binnsy became. Then, one lunch-time there was a bit of a rum-pus at the service hatch. Old Binnsy had a sudden fit or something. They found him clutching at his heart and in a state of collapse. He was blue in the face and gasping for breath. He was unconscious before anyone could dash for the doctor. Poor old Binnsy!"

"Heart, I suppose?" I said. "The war has been a terrible strain on the old folk, Dicky."

"Yeah—maybe his heart did gallop a bit," said Dicky. "But the real trouble was choking. When the doctor did arrive he found the cause of the trouble—and removed a pearl the size of a green-pea from the old man's gullet! Old Binnsy had found his pearl at last—much good that it did him! You see, the boss claimed the pearl! So did Binnsy! Legal opinion states that legislation would cost more than the pearl is worth! Poor old Binnsy!"

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Health Page

It can happen any morning — that jolting, inevitable moment when a woman, gazing into her mirror, first admits to herself that her looks are slipping and that age is upon her.

This may occur at 32, or 34, or if the woman is lucky and none too honest, not until 35.

It may be brought on by a salesgirl calling her Madam instead of Miss, or a teenager respectfully opening a door for her.

A woman neighbour of mine met her crisis by accepting defeat.

She cooked meals resentfully, ironed her husband's shirts resentfully, dressed the children resentfully, went at the first word of criticism, and made home life miserable for her whole family.

Not so the woman in the next block. She said she wasn't going to let age get her down, no siree! She had a nifty platinum job done on her nondescript hair the same day as her best friend had hers dyed a jet black.

Together after that the would-be girls bought their clothes in the junior miss department and competed in whipping themselves into youthful gaiety whenever anyone was looking.

Everyone knows women like this — pathetic slaves of the calendar who make no sensible efforts to save themselves from being casualties of time.

There are no explicit manuals on acquiring vital middle-age.

Nor has medicine produced a miracle guaranteeing age immunity.

In fact, medicine has only just begun within the past six years to cast a serious clinical eye on the ageing processes.

Yet with existing medical knowledge, any woman can set herself a sound working programme — which will help her to live vigorously.

Doctors, psychiatrists, and beauty specialists agree that the first step is to discard the emotional conflict and resentment at age itself.

Stop thinking of age as an affliction. Merely thinking that way is ageing.

Doctors point to case histories by the thousand showing that tension and resentment, hate and fear are

MIDDLE AGE

IS

WHAT YOU MAKE IT

emotional malignancies which set up slow poisons in every organ of the body.

These poisoned organs pour their malfunctioning into the blood stream to dull the eye and write old age on the face.

Most of us have a wrong idea of age, according to sociologists.

Instead of one age, each one of us has five — an actual birth certificate age, a mental age, a physical (bodily tissue) age, an emotional age, and an ethical or social age.

Thus one woman can be 35 in years, her body tissues 10 years older, while her mental, emotional, and social ages are still a deplorable 16.

So, having admitted to herself that youth is gone, the intelligent woman takes inventory of her other ages.

An honest listing of her assets and liabilities will reveal many things — some pleasant, some horrid.

From this she can map the needs of her programme.

The first audit should be of her physical age.

She should go to a good diagnostician and let him give her a thorough overhaul.

Then, if she has any specific ailment which needs attention, he will send her to specialists.

Women in the thirties do start complaining of vague aches and pains.

Six Common Ailments

But the backaches, indigestion, falling hair, fatigue pains across the neck and shoulders, insomnia, faulty circulation, restlessness, irritability, anaemia, headaches, and dizziness which intermittently harass so many women in the thirties are the invariable forerunners of the six most common afflictions which grip those same women in the forties.

These are arthritis, diabetes, thyroid and other-hormone disturbances, hypertension, heart and kidney derangements.

Too often these first small aches are not treated as the sinister signals they may be.

The average woman would name one other casualty of middle age — menopause. But she'd be wrong.

A prominent American doctor says that of every 1000 women he examines for this condition 850 have experienced no interruption of their daily routine.

Only 150 have shown actual menopause symptoms of hot flushes, emotional instability, insomnia, depression of spirits, and irritability.

And these show uniform improvement under treatment.

Menopause is a physical change which always occurs. The mental distress which is sometimes associated with it can be exaggerated by foolish talk and by worry.

The newest scientific evidence to come out of laboratories is that the condition of certain body cells either hastens or staves off age.

One of the American experts working on this study of gerontology (ageing processes) is Dr. E. V. Cowdry, Professor of Anatomy at the University of Washington School of Medicine.

Changed Functions

He says: "With age the body undergoes a complete architectural change. Though the machine is of the same pattern it becomes differently constructed, functions differently, and is directed by a mind that changes."

"But it is the ageing of our connective tissues that is tragic, since it is the rubber of the body."

"Upon this depends the elasticity of the blood vessels, the skin, the bladder."

We may not know yet the specific nutrient to prevent these tissues degenerating, but we do know that the mysterious element is contained somewhere in the balanced function of all our glands and organs.

There is no mystery keeping healthy with advancing age. Narrowed down to essentials, the doctors say, this can be achieved by three things — correct posture, balanced eating, balanced living.

Don't think that pulling your shoulders back and sticking out your chest is correct posture. The exaggerated chest-out stance is just as harmful as the complete slump.

Both these postures needlessly consume muscular and nervous energy.

In the treatment of hundreds of diabetics, arthritic and cardiac cases, a Boston posture clinic has found that once faulty posture was corrected — the chin drawn in, the chest brought up and forward, and the buttocks tucked in — improvement was common.

The most common nutritional abuse among women is eating for a slim figure instead of eating for energy.

The woman who habitually makes a breakfast of coffee and toast and who lunches on a sandwich and a milk shake is eating her way into quick old age.

A nutrition expert says he can add 10 years of youthfulness to a woman's appearance in middle life merely by wise and careful nutrition. But the nutrition regime must begin early enough — preferably in the twenties.

His advice is stop eating what you like and what is easy, and instead to make a point of learning what food-stuffs, including protein, minerals, and vitamins are needed each day to keep your body at its peak performance.

A wise man once said: "The rut of apathy leads nowhere." It should be adopted as the watchword of every woman who wants to stay young, for monotony is a dingy cloud which wraps her in drabness.

No woman of 35 desires monotony. But often she does nothing to avoid it — that is, nothing more active than complaining.

She remembers nostalgically the hubbub of her twenties — going dancing, going to the theatre and concerts.

Today, many of her women friends have married and moved to other towns or have become pre-occupied with domesticity.

Yet she doesn't replace these friends with new ones. Nor does she replace former interests with new ones.

A Vacuum

She is in the vacuum of early middle-age where the poverty of ideas may be as disastrous as the poverty of red or white blood cells.

A leading authority on psychosomatic therapy says: "One must give and take emotionally in order to enjoy life."

"A serious defect in the quantity of goodwill is as unfortunate as a serious defect in a vital organ."

"A marked and prolonged fall in self-esteem may be as devastating to the body as anaemia."

A careful study shows invariably that women patients who have neurosis and psychosis in the middle years are those who have had personality disturbances of long duration.

They are usually people who have lived narrow lives of intolerance. They are worrisome, parsimonious, pedantic, emotionally cold.

They may have been full of romantic fantasies in youth, but since that time have lacked the drive to create a life that was romantically satisfying.

Actually the force is there all the time, if the person would only put the drive behind it.

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Talking about Films

Showing with Mr. J. Arthur Rank's technicolour film record of the Royal Wedding, two Hong Kong cinemas this week screened Grade A. English pictures. They were "Captain Boycott" and "Green for Danger", and although widely diversant settings were used for each they both gave first class entertainment.

Stewart Granger and Noel Purcell, depicting an Irish farm tenant and an autocratic land owner lead the picture through an enlightening story of some of the Irish troubles during the reign of Queen Victoria, and the rebel leadership of John Parnell.

At the Queen's, "Green For Danger" provided over an hour of thrills and mystery with a good dash of comedy from Alastair Simm as a debonair Scotland Yard detective who solves an unusual murder. Sally Gray and Rosamund John as two nurses employed in a hospital where two deaths occur give excellent performances.

HALF-A-CENTURY OF FILM PIONEERING

Little over a year ago the 50th anniversary of the first showing of films was celebrated all over the world. Today, Britain celebrates another noteworthy jubilee—the 50th anniversary of the oldest film studios in the world, still in continuous film production. These are the Nettlefold Studios at Walton-on-Thames, a lovely little place near London, where films are still being made.

The birth of Nettlefold Studios was the purchase by Cecil Hepworth, one of the world's pioneers of the cinema, of a small house called "The Rosary". That was in 1897. From the moment when Hepworth, with his assistants, fitted the house with dark-rooms, printing-sinks and officers, as well as living quarters, British film production was born.

At that time short films about 50-feet long were taken by Hepworth, mainly on fairgrounds, at horse-shows, military tattoos and other spectacular functions. These introduced an incredulous public to the magic of moving pictures. The first star to appear at Nettlefold Studios was a collie dog, Rover, which soon became very popular.

Film For £7

It is a long way from those days to the present, when Nettlefold's up-to-date production plant is the scene of John Corfield Production's new film "The White Unicorn" with one of Britain's most popular film stars, Margaret Lockwood, in the leading part.

At the recent 50th birthday celebrations of the studios some of the stars of yesterday met the stars of today. Henry Edwards, Chrissie White, Stewart Rome, Reginald Purcell, Violet Hopson, Leslie Henson and many others of the early Nettlefold actors and actresses joined in the celebration with Margaret Lockwood, Dennis Price, Ian Hunter, Joan Greenwood, Guy Middleton and others from the cast of "The White Unicorn", whose names are now so familiar with the filmgoing public. A highlight of the party was the showing of one of the early films, "Rescued By Rover", the first successful "story film" ever to be made in Britain. It was followed by the screening of "rushes" from "The White Unicorn."

The development of the film industry can hardly be better illustrated than by the fact that the total cost of "Rescued By Rover" was no more than £7.13.9 and the yearly cost of "The Rosary" was £36. Out of these modest beginnings have grown studios which have an annual rental and wage bill in the region of £100,000. In the early days salaries of stars and leading technicians ranged from a few shillings to a few pounds, and among the best-known film makers of today are some who remember starting at Nettlefold Studios at the magnificent sum of 15s. a week.

FILMING BY GASLIGHT

As film production became more ambitious and film technique advanced, Cecil Hepworth extended the original house and a glass-roofed studio was built over his processing plant. As a rule shooting was done during daylight, assisted by gaslight, but occasionally shooting would have to be done during the evenings.

Then neighbouring residents complained that, because of the gas used by the studios, their cookers had dropped to less than half pressure. People who lived in the vicinity of the studios in those days were often called upon to take a part in a film. Professional actors were recruited from among local residents, yet no problem was too difficult to be tackled in those early days, and it was not long before Cecil Hepworth began experimenting with sound. After first roughly lip synchronising his actors to gramophone records, he progressed to producing sound features, in which a character playing a dual role could hold a conversation with himself. Soon he developed the Vivaphone sound system, the forerunner of the present-day talkie. The first sound films made in Britain were produced at the Nettlefold Studios.

Cecil Hepworth was also the first to show how to build up film stars. Some of the best-known American as well as British stars began their careers in his films. Among those who were featured players in his company are Ronald Colman, Gladys Cooper, Clive Brook and John Loder.

As film production became more complicated and developed into a large industry, Nettlefold Studios had to be extended, and modernised from time to time. Its largest stage, which is still being used as the main stage, was built in 1937. During World War II feature film production had to be given up. The staff turned to making technical and training films, while the studio itself was converted into an auxiliary aircraft factory. About two years ago the studio returned to its original use, its technicians came back and since then not a single day's production has been lost.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE ANSWERS

- (a) The Pyramids of Egypt.
(b) The Hanging Gardens of Babylon.
(c) The Tomb of Mausolus.
(d) The Temple of Diana at Ephesus.
(e) The Colossus of Rhodes.
(f) The Statue of Jupiter Olympus.
(g) The Pharos of Alexandria.

2. An extinct volcano in Mexico, was honoured by having a modern song named after it. One of the highest mountains of the world, it is 17,540 feet.

3. Hong Kong time is eight hours fast on GT.

4. VE Day—May 8, 1945.
VJ Day—August 15, 1945.

5. Faith, Hope, Charity, Prudence, Justice, Fortitude, Temperance.

6. Palace of Soviets, Moscow USSR. (1,365 ft.)

7. 1. The General Assembly; 2. The Security Council; 3. The Economic and Social Council; 4. The Trusteeship Council; 5. The International Court of Justice; 6. The Secretariat.

8. Anglicised spelling of Irish "toraidhe", meaning pursuer; applied to any Irish Papist or Royalist in arms. A nickname given about 1680 by the Exclusionists to those who opposed the exclusion of James, Duke of York (a Roman Catholic) from the succession to the throne.

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Oriental Theatre.—"Tarzan and the Huntress." Requires no comment, though the numbers who pack into the Tarzan pictures remains a perennial wonder.

Majestic.—"Masquerade in Mexico." It follows immediately on "The Thrill of Brazil," and gets a little nearer home.

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LAND OF THE CHRISTIAN STORY

(Continued from Page 1)

lica; a square squat house which the Franciscans have built to watch over these relics; and two or three shepherd's hovels of stone and turf. That is all.

Upward from Khoury's village, the valley is flat and marshy and is tiresome going as far as Lake Huleh, you may know better by the ancient name of the Waters of Meron; a pale mild sheet of water, clogged with reeds and papyrus. It is better to come to it by the high road, which climbs over the shoulder of the hills above Rosh Pinnah; when you have climbed for half an hour or so from the lake, you meet a notice board which proclaims "Sea Level." On the crest is a station of the Trans-Jordan Frontier Force, with their magnificent bay and chestnut horses, and their equally magnificent headgear of black sheepskin slashed with scarlet; from this post they carry on an endless contest with the drug-smugglers from the north. And then, as you drop into the valley, comes Rosh Pinnah itself, the oldest, I think, of all the modern Jewish settlements in Palestine, more than fifty years old; it has had time to weather into conformity with its background, and prospers unobtrusively.

And above Huleh again, the valley becomes small and intimate. The river forks into four branches some of them little more than brooks. But the Banias, which is the main stream, springs almost full-grown from a cave on the southern slope of Hermon, like the Lathkill in Derbyshire; or the Shannon on the Leitrim hills; and its course is comely and various with glades of oaks and hazel, and shallow gorges of rock, and waterfalls. In this part of the valley stood Caesarea Philippi, where Jesus gave Peter his great commission ("Upon this Rock I will build my church"). And up the course of the infant Jordan he must have come a few days later, with Peter and James and John, to scramble through the chestnut woods on the flank of Hermon and to gain the crest, still maybe flecked with winter snow, on the day when the disciples saw him, as Matthew relates, transfigured on the mountain top. And as they turned their reluctant steps southward and homeward, all the green world of Upper Jordan smiled up to greet them.

Patrick Monkhouse.

QUIZ ANSWERS

1. M. Paul Henri Spaak. (8.12.47).
2. Alfred Krupp von Bhlensund Haibach. (9.12.47).
3. The second deck of the 15,000-ton U.S. transport Renville. (9.12.47).
4. Hoshua Golberman. (10.12.47).
5. Lord Croft of Bournemouth (10.12.47).
6. Air Marshal Sir Hugh P. Lloyd, KBE, CB, MC, DFC. (11.12.47).
7. £50,000. (12.12.47).

Musical World

TONIGHT'S "PROMS"

By a coincidence, the first work in tonight's "Proms" concert from ZBW is the Saint-Saen's Concerto which was listed in this column last Sunday as the record-of-the-week—the "Concerto No. 2 in G Minor, Op. 22," with Benno Moiseiwitsch and the Philharmonia Orchestra (Basil Cameron cond.) Having heard part of it on the Decca in Moutrie's, I am looking forward to comparing the reproductive powers of my Halli-crafter with those of that wonderful instrument.

There is only one other work tonight—Elgar's "Symphony No. 2 in E Flat, Op. 63," recorded by Sir Adrian Boult and the BBC Symphony Orchestra. Elgar began to work on this symphony, which was performed for the first time in 1911, early in 1910 and it is probable that the death of King Edward VII partly inspired the deeply moving slow movement, a funeral march; the symphony itself was dedicated "To the Memory of Edward VII." The movement is in the same key and similar mood to the "Marcia Funebre" of Beethoven's "Eroica" symphony, and has often been compared with it, with no sense of disparagement.

The symphony begins in a wonderful blaze of colour and ends in an atmosphere of quietness. Written at the height of Elgar's instrumental powers, it is a symphony of many moods—some richly dignified, others vivacious, ecstatic or even austere. Apart from the dedication, the score has attached to it a line from Shelley: "Rarely, rarely comest thou, spirit of delight."

QUIP

Announcer's slip-of-the week: The Person who called a certain piece of music a "Shirt-so." Perhaps he was thinking of Rinso—or does someone's mother not use Persil?

RECORD

An important issue under the auspices of the British Council is the HMV recording of Vaughan Williams' suite "Flos Campi" for viola, chorus and orchestra. This work is dedicated to the greatest living violist, Lionel Tertis, who was the soloist with the Queen's Hall orchestra (Wood conducting) when this work was first performed in 1925.

This particular recording (DB 6353-55) is by William Primrose, with the Philharmonia Orchestra and BBC Chorus conducted by Sir Adrian Boult. From the first reaction to it of "not without interest," the music critics have now conceded that the suite is "strangely attractive." There is a lack of real pianissimo in this particular recording but the production as a whole have very strong qualities.

RUBBRA

At long last, a work by Rubbra is available for the gramophone—his "Sonata No. 2 for Violin and Piano, Op. 31." This is an HMV recording (C 3547-48) by Albert Sammons and Gerald Moore. To date, I have not been able to discover if it has arrived in the Colony, and have not heard it myself. It is, however, strongly recommended by the "Music Review," which expresses the hope that the gramophone companies will consider adding Rubbra's third and fourth symphonies to the repertoire.

Sammons and Moore are reported by "Music Review" to play with real understanding and to be well recorded by HMV. Written in a Brahmsian vein, this is not the ideal choice for a first recording of Rubbra—but it is better than nothing. The recording was under British Council auspices.

CHOICE

This week's "Listener's Choice" of broadcasts from ZBW is somewhat difficult to pick. Apart from Father Ryan's talk—which is probably a "must" on every local music-lover's list—there is nothing particularly outstanding in the week's programme. As a purely personal choice, I would pick the last listening periods on Monday and Wednesday nights.

Tomorrow night, at the end of the "Something for Everybody" pot-pourri, ZBW is broadcasting the music for the ballet suite "Miracle in the Gorbals" by Arthur Bliss. One of his most recent works, it was first performed at Sadler's Wells in 1944, and if the sensation it caused be a fair criterion it might well be called one of the most important contributions to music made by this energetic and original composer. There are four parts: The street—The girl suicide; The young lovers—Discovery of the suicide's body; The dance of deliverance; and The killing of the stranger.

My other "choice" would be the short programme of recordings by Eugene Ormandy and the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra at 10.40 p.m. Wednesday. Two works are being played, both by Czech composers—Dvorak's "Scherzo Capriccioso, Op. 66" and Weinberger's Polka and Fugue from "Schwanda the Bagpiper."

Dvorak wrote the "Scherzo Capriccioso" during a period of conflict which is reflected in this music; he was struggling with his conscience against the pleas of his German friends who tried to woo him to the ranks of Teutonic composers. Fortunately for music, Dvorak's conscience won. This is not one of his greatest works, but it is one of the more popular.

It is only in recent years that Weinberger's place in the ranks of the composers has become recognised. The third edition of Grove's "Dictionary of Music" made no mention of him and it is only in the supplementary volume issued as a fourth edition that he achieves a bare quarter-page mention. Yet in Weinberger the traditions of Czech music established by Dvorak and Smetana are carried on in capable hands.

A comic opera of sprightly folk music with modern orchestral treatment, "Schwanda the Bagpiper" was first performed in Prague in 1927; four years later it was given its American debut at the Metropolitan Opera House. Its sparkling, humorous music made it an instant success.

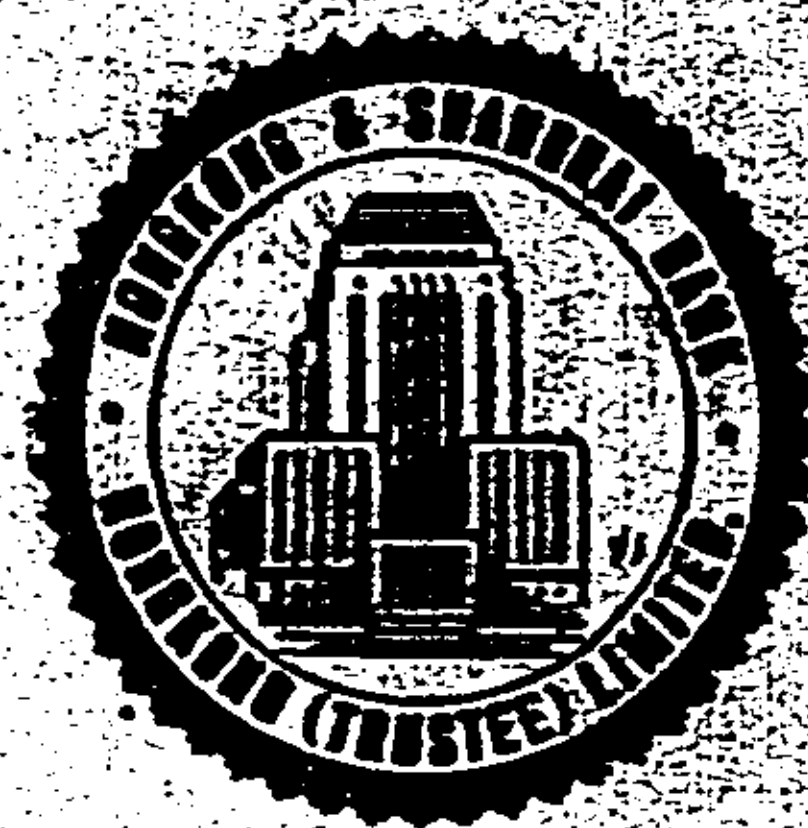
JACQUES

Reginald Jacques, a native of Ashby-de-la-Zouche, Leics., conducts his own string orchestra in the programme being broadcast by the BBC this week under the title "British Concert Hall." Dr. Jacques founded this orchestra when he was Director of Music at Queen's College, Oxford, and it has now been in existence for about 10 years. During the war, the orchestra gave many pioneer concerts, visiting places where concerted string music had been rarely, if ever, heard.

Jacques, incidentally, embarked on a musical career largely as a result of a wound in World War I. He was sent to a hospital in Oxford and there came in contact with Sir Hugh Allen, president of the R.C.M. and professor of music at Oxford.

Other appointments Jacques has held have been conductor of the Oxford Orchestral Society; conductor of the Bach Choir; musical adviser to the London County Council; and lecturer in charge of music at the University of Reading. He has a great reputation as conductor, adjudicator and educationist.

Thursday's programme, broadcast in the General Overseas Service at 2.15 hours Hong Kong time, consists of Bach's "Brandenburg Concerto No. 3 in G," Vaughan Williams' "Five variants of Dives and Lazarus," and Tchaikovsky's "Serenade in C." I recommend the 16-metre band.



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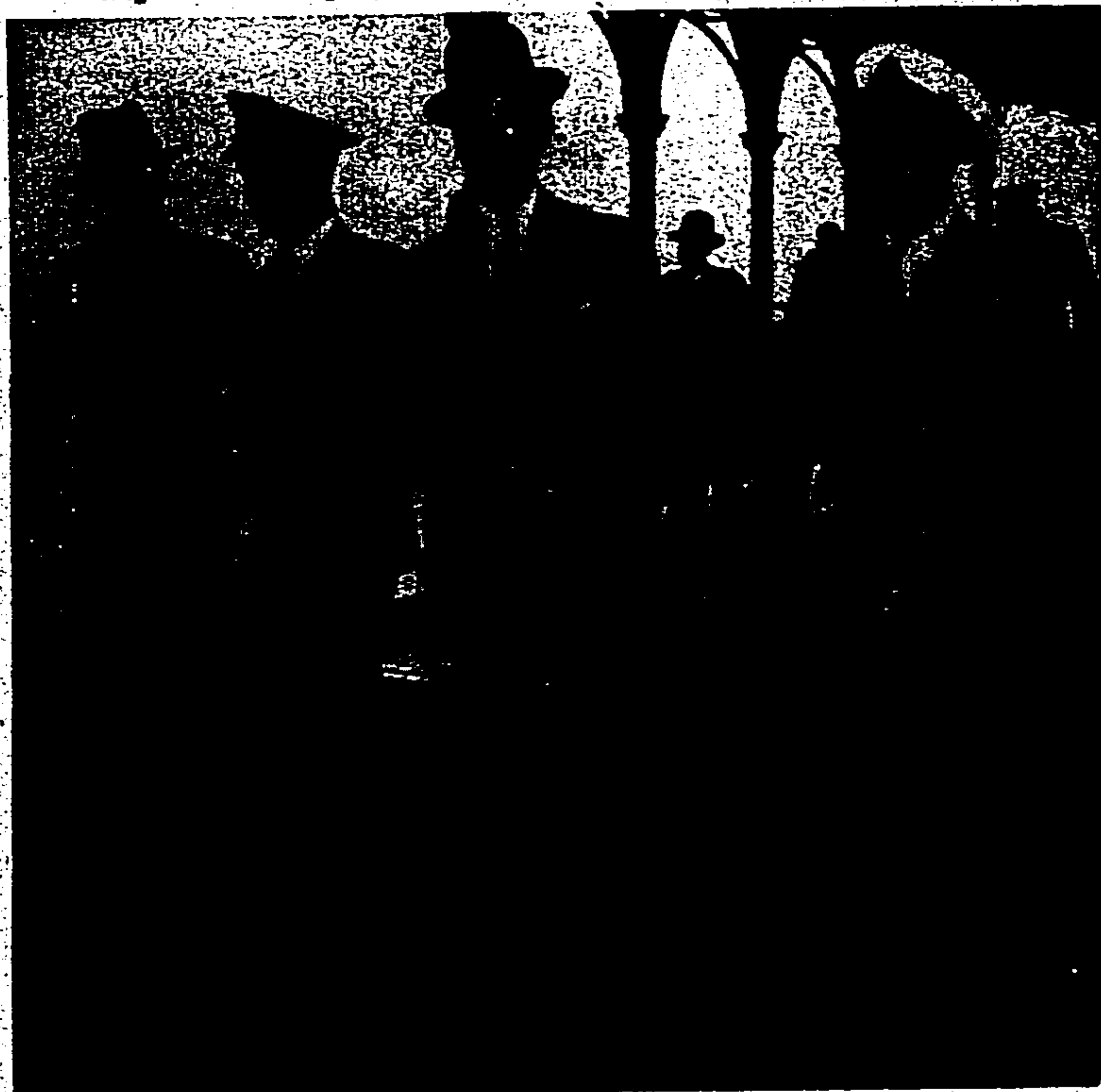
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Their Majesties the King and Queen on November 25 attended a Royal Command performance at the Odeon Theatre in aid of the Cinematograph Trade Benevolent Fund. Our photo shows the Queen chatting with Bob Hope (left) after the performance.



(Left) Sir Ralph Stevenson, the British Ambassador to China (centre) on his arrival in Hong Kong last week-end, for a brief visit. (Francis Wu).



Lady Grantham signing a lucky admission ticket at the fete held last Sunday in aid of the Society St. Vincent de Paul. (China Mail photo).



(Above)—Mr. Aw Boon-haw (left) at the fete in aid of the Society St. Vincent de Paul, where a rubber tiger was presented to him at the opening ceremony. (China Mail photo).



(Above) A group photograph taken after the wedding at the Peninsula Hotel last Saturday of Mr. Yeung Yam-shue and Miss Leung San-chuen. (Photo-Gems).



(Left) Mr. Nay Quey-tse and his bride, Miss Yee-har Yu, after their wedding at the Hong Kong Hotel last Saturday.

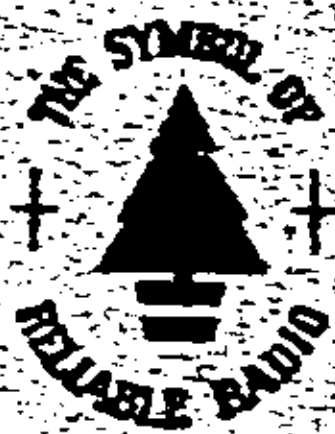
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Wedding group taken at St. Andrew's Church last Saturday after the marriage of Mr. Norman Broadbridge and Miss Eibel Margaret Hicks. (Mainland Studio).



Mr. Fan Koon-lun, son of Mr. Fan Chuen-chai, of the Committee of the Po Leung Kuk, and his bride, Miss Chow Yet-ying, taken after their wedding last week. (Sun Ying Ming Studio).



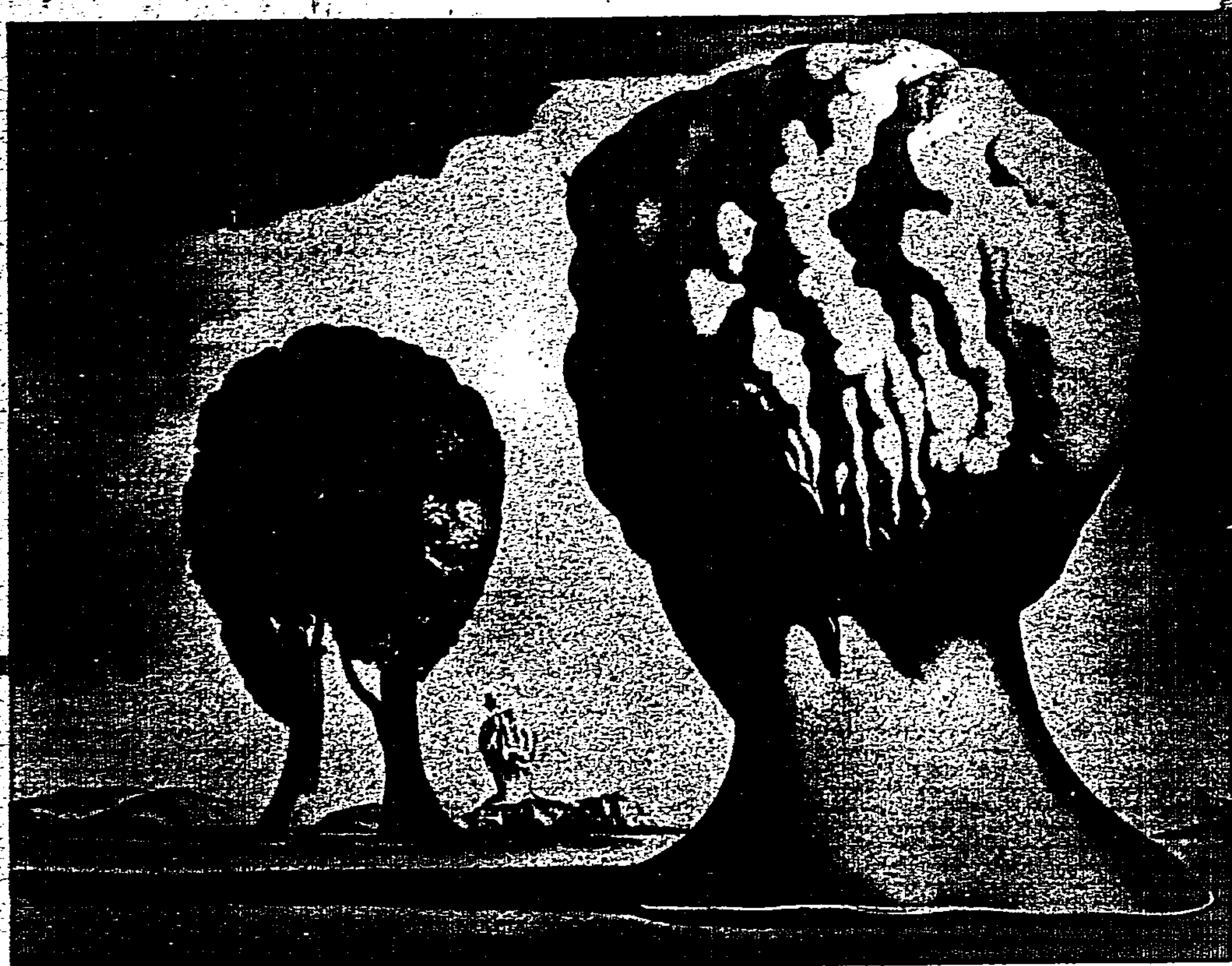
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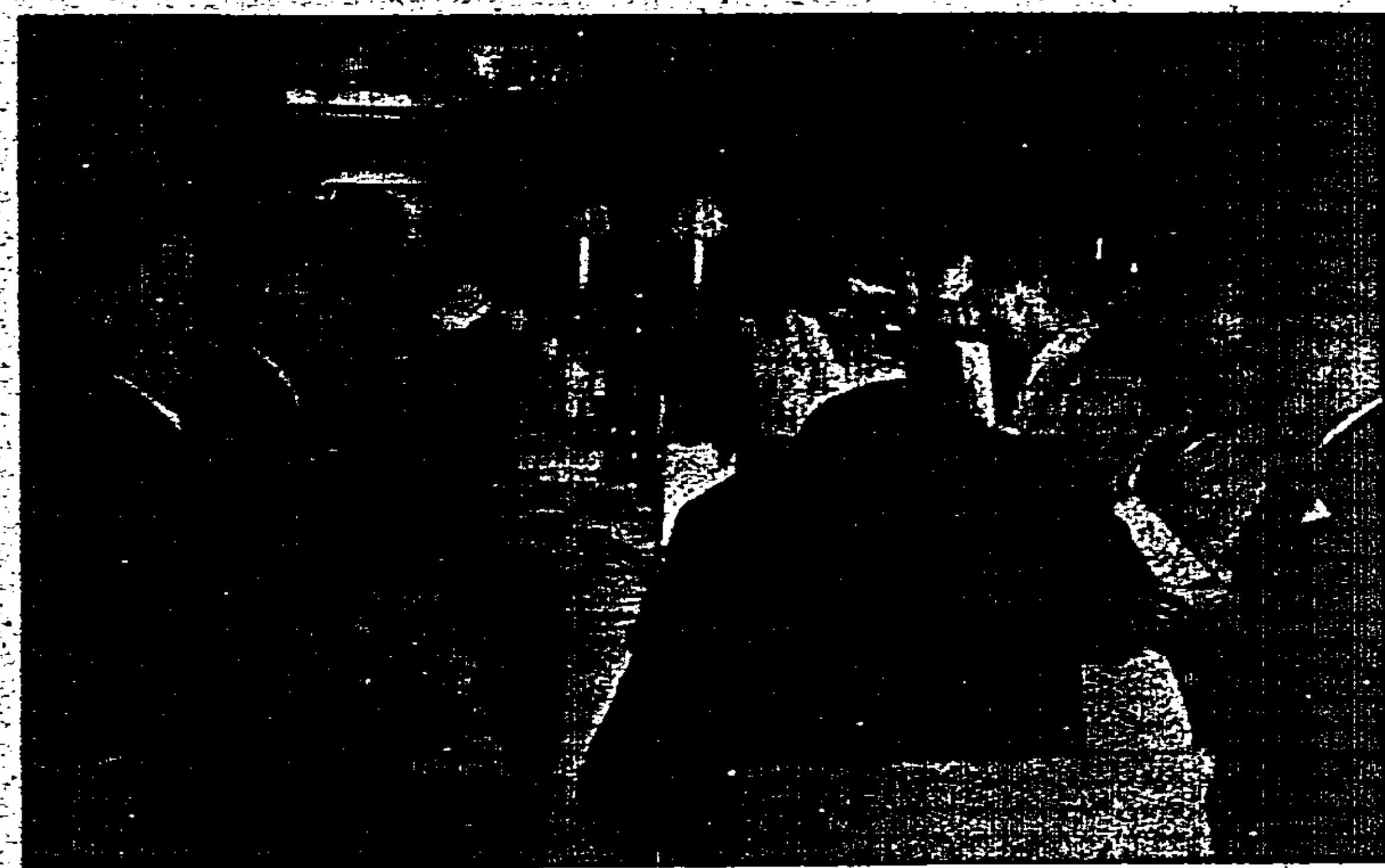
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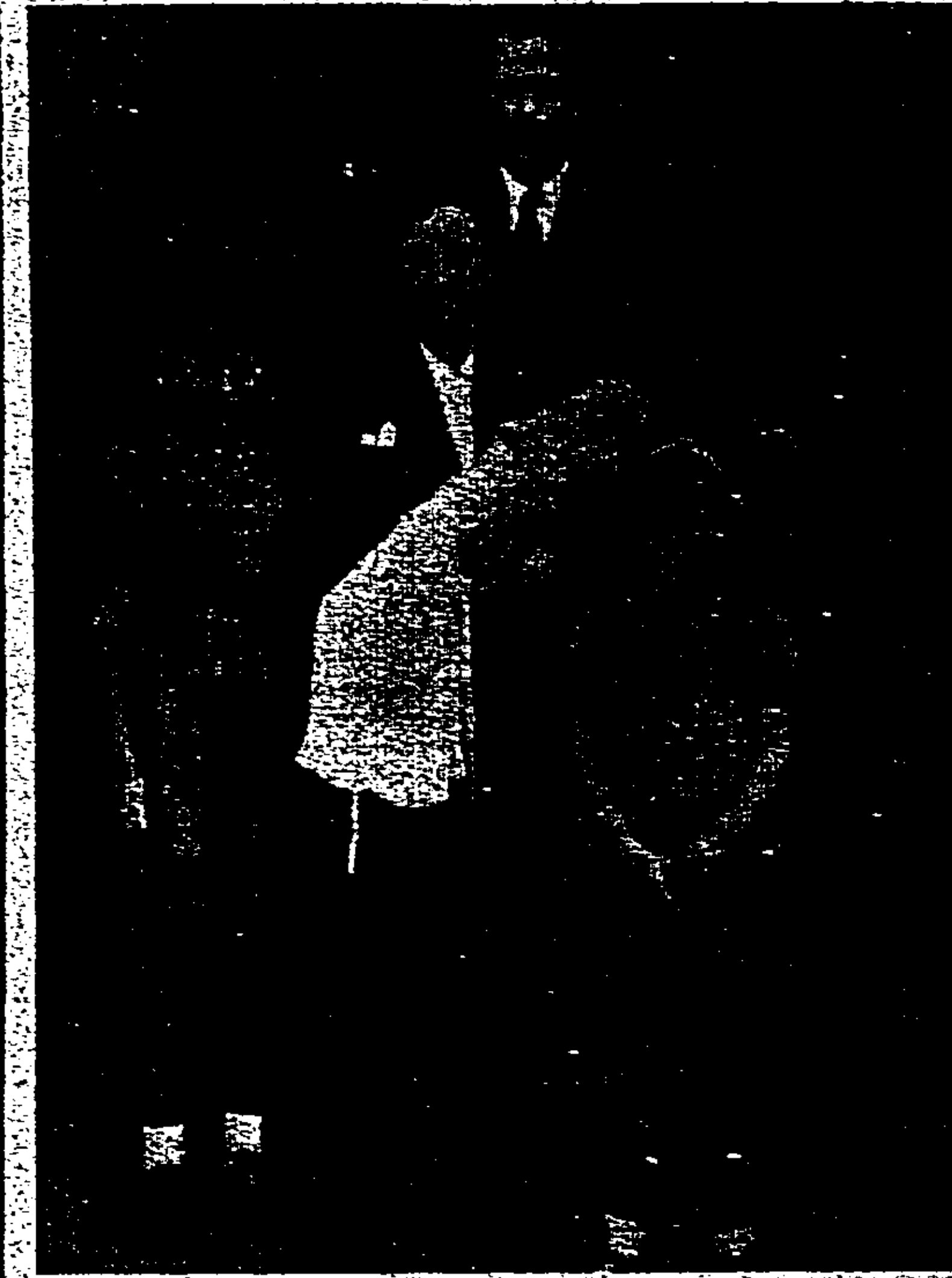
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Ferry coming in an easy winner in the Third Race last Saturday ("China Mail" photo).



Lieut. Col. J. B. Filmerbennett M. C. with officers of the 1st Battalion of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. (King's Studio)



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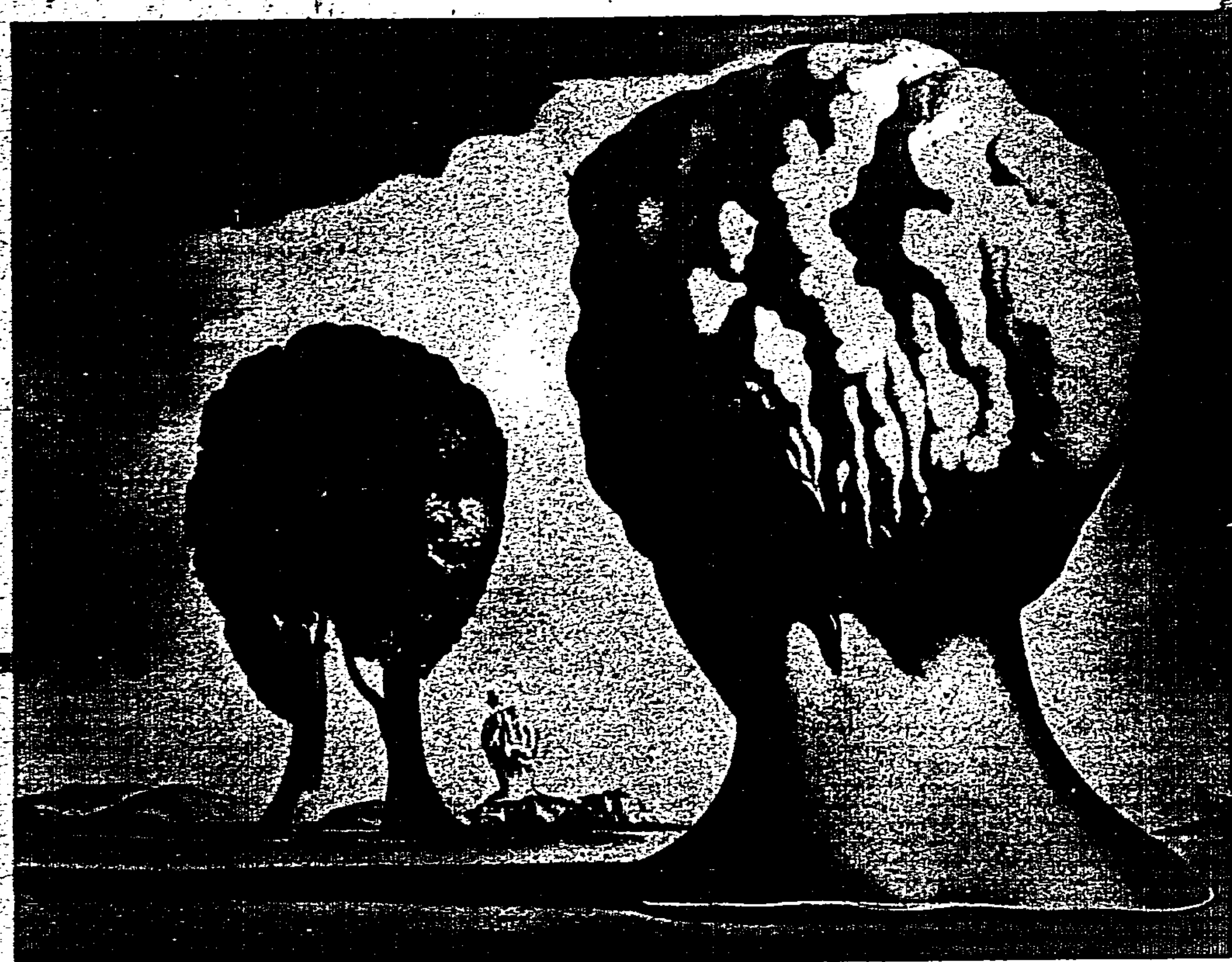
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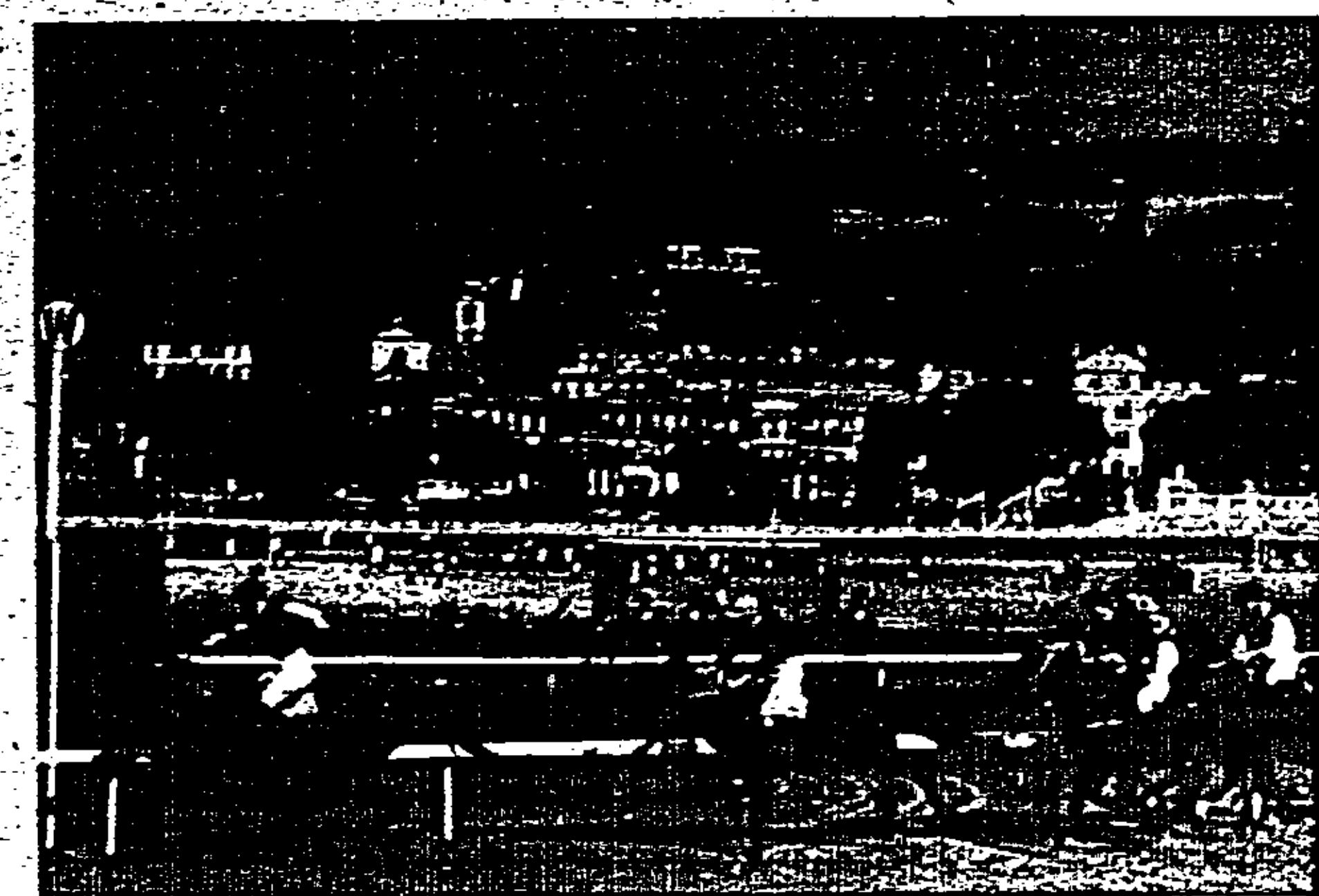


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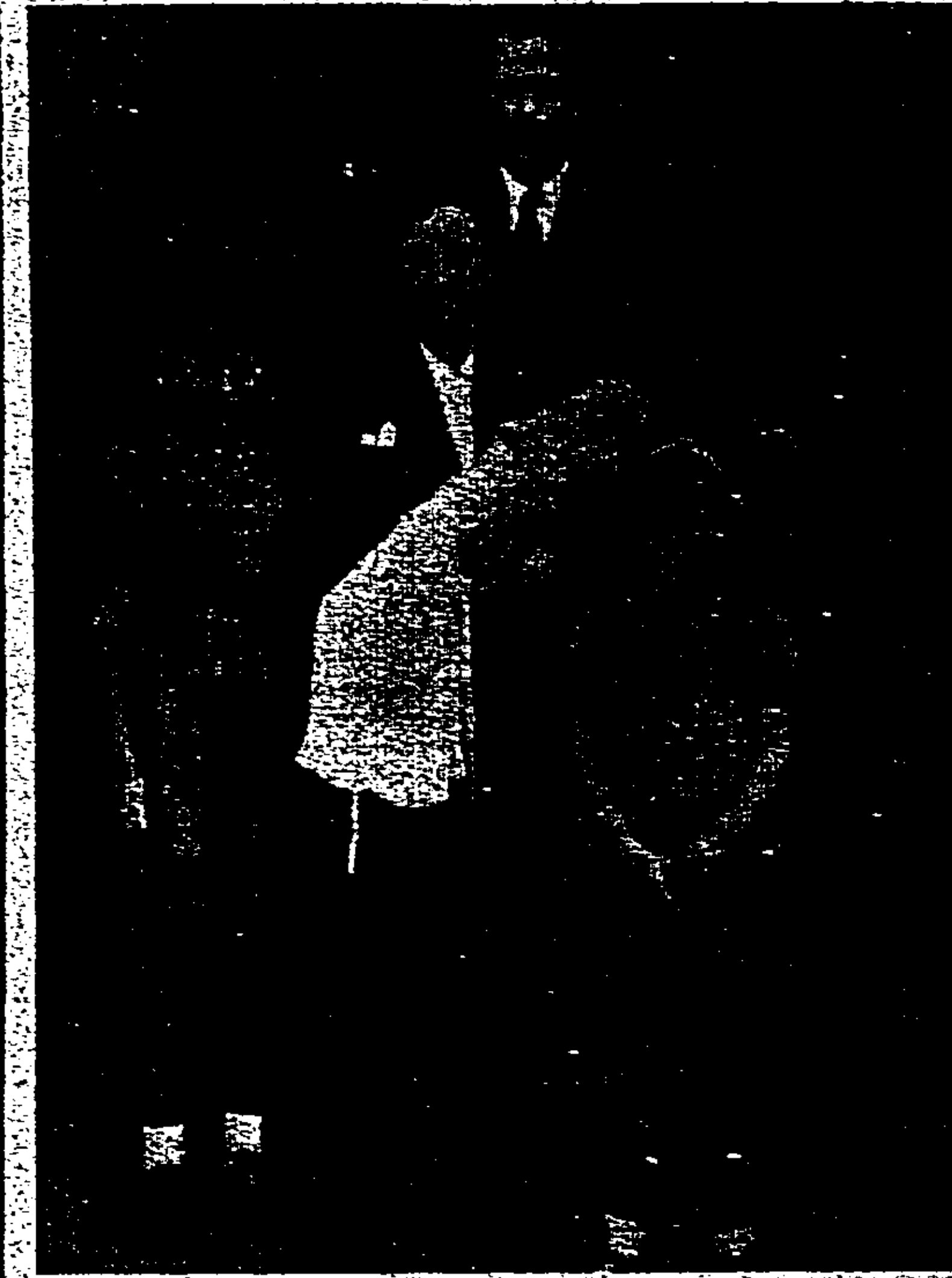
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CHINESE GESTURE

Tientsin, Dec. 13. Mayor Tu Chien-shih yesterday afternoon made available new premises to the local foreign community for hospital use. Fulfilling a dire need, the Mayor's action was warmly welcomed by the Chairman of the Hospital Committee, Mr. W. Howard, the U.S. Consul-General, Mr. Robert L. Smyth, and the British Consul-General, Mr. S. L. Burdett, all of whom praised the Mayor's "gracious and generous gesture."

China's Hopes Of New U.S. Policy

NANKING, DEC. 13. CONFIDENCE THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD "ADOPT A NEWER AND BRIGHTER POLICY TOWARDS CHINA" WAS EXPRESSED BY THE FOREIGN MINISTER, DR. WANG SHIH-CHANG, BEFORE THE STATE COUNCIL MEETING YESTERDAY, HELD UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF PRESIDENT CHIANG KAI-SHEK.

He was speaking on the subject of U.S. economic aid to this country. Dr. Wang was optimistic regarding China being included among the sponsoring powers for the German peace conference.

He told the meeting that China had the support of the great powers in her stand on the issue.

Referring to Siam, the Foreign Minister said that China would follow the lead of Britain and the United States in her relations with the Government of Marshal Pibul Songgram.—Reuter-AAP.

Good Influence On World

London, Dec. 12. Mr. George Marshall, United States Secretary of State, pleaded for the restoration of belief that nations can live in peace and understanding when he made his first major speech here to-night outside the Foreign Ministers' conference.

"The great desire of mankind is for peace and understanding," Mr. Marshall told a dinner of the Pilgrim Society of the United States colony in London.

"The common people of the world are sick unto death of war. The thought of war is violently repugnant to them. Yet the people are again fearful of war—to such lengths have propagandists gone."

"We must make a supreme effort, I think, to brush aside such insinuations and rise above our difficulties in what might be termed the spiritual conquest of our present weakness and frailties."

"We must restore the belief that we all can live together in peace and understanding. The most impressive factor at the moment to my mind is the great surge of American public opinion in support of the effort to alleviate sufferings and hardships of people on this side of the Atlantic."

Desire To Help

"When one considers how remote most of our people are from the European scene, I think the present public state of mind in my country is remarkable evidence of a genuine and generous desire to help the other fellow."

Mr. Ernest Bevin, Foreign Secretary, and M. Georges Bi-

dault, French Foreign Minister, attended the dinner.

M. Molotov, Soviet Foreign Minister, declined the invitation because, he said, of the pressure of conference work.

Among other guests were British Cabinet Ministers, including the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee.

Anglo-American Ties

Mr. Marshall urged the British and American people to proclaim their "fraternal relationship" to the world without fear of criticism because it menaced no one and harmed no one.

"On the contrary, it is truly beneficial in its influence on world developments," he said.

Mr. Marshall brushed aside those who see "calculated political combinations in Anglo-American relations."

He predicted a rosy future for Anglo-American relations despite the fears of some that differences in the economic systems would obstruct "this natural development in future."

He added that the American and British people were not given to "fanatical devotion to any one doctrine—except the doctrine of liberty." — Reuter and United Press.

Dutch Peace Plan For Indonesia

Batavia, Dec. 13.

The Dutch special committee attending political talks with the Indonesian Republicans in the United States Navy transport in Batavia harbour, has submitted a plan for an immediate "cease fire" order to both sides in the Indonesian dispute.

The plan, submitted to the United Nations good offices committee supervising the negotiations, was said to contain a suggested variation of the committee's own proposals for speeding a "cease fire" agreement to clear the way for the final political discussions.

Dutch sources said their delegation intended to release full details of its latest proposals because, they said, the Republican Information Ministry had published a statement alleging Dutch rejection of the good offices committee's proposals.

The Dutch had not rejected the proposals but had merely asked for clarification of some points and were awaiting the committee's answer, these sources said.

The Security Council's "good offices" committee later held separate informal talks with the Dutch and Republican delegations on the extent to which the Lingardjati Agreement, signed some time ago, might be used in reaching a new agreement.

Sources close to the negotiations of both sides indicated yesterday that the Dutch said that they considered they were bound by the principles agreed at Lingardjati for forming a United States of Indonesia, while the Republicans said they regarded themselves as formally bound by the agreement.

The good offices committee was also understood to have sought the reasons for the failure of this agreement.—Reuter.

"Inhale—And Be Happy"

London, Dec. 13. Details of a rapid and safe analgesic or pain killer capable of use with not more than printed instructions and designed on the principle of a cigarette lighter, are given today in the current issue of the "Lancet."

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It has been successfully employed in midwifery cases and as a first aid measure for burns, fractures, lacerations etc. It measures only 8-1/4 inches by 7/8 inch.—Reuter.

"Dead", Revived By Shock

CHICAGO, DEC. 13. THE JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION—TODAY TOLD HOW A 14-YEAR-OLD BOY, WHOSE HEART STOPPED BEATING ON THE OPERATION TABLE, WAS REVIVED BY ELECTRIC SHOCK.

The patient had undergone a chest operation when suddenly his pulse stopped and he was apparently dead.

Manual massage of the heart was begun and after 35 minutes of massage and mechanical respiration normal rhythm was restored to the heart by two series of electric shocks applied directly to the heart.

The boy recovered completely with no damage to his heart or nervous system.—United Press.

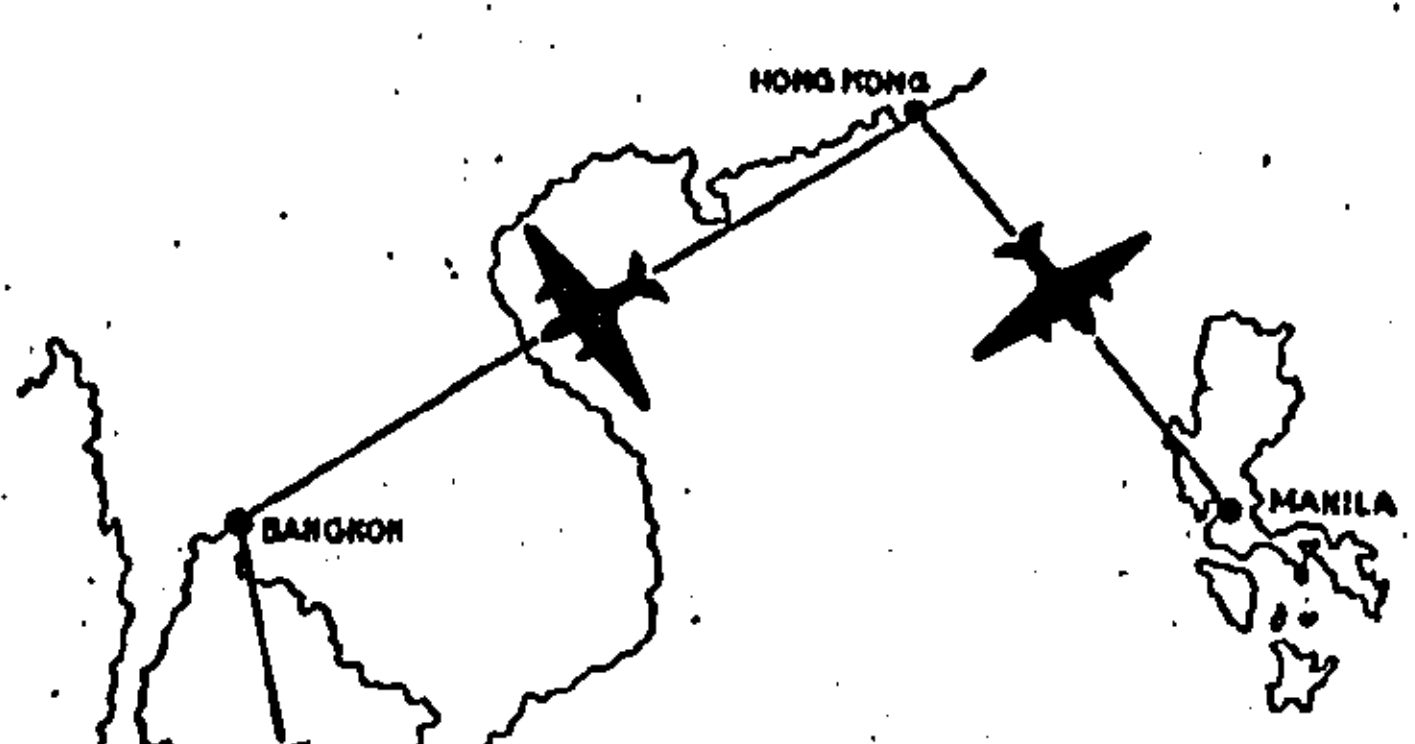
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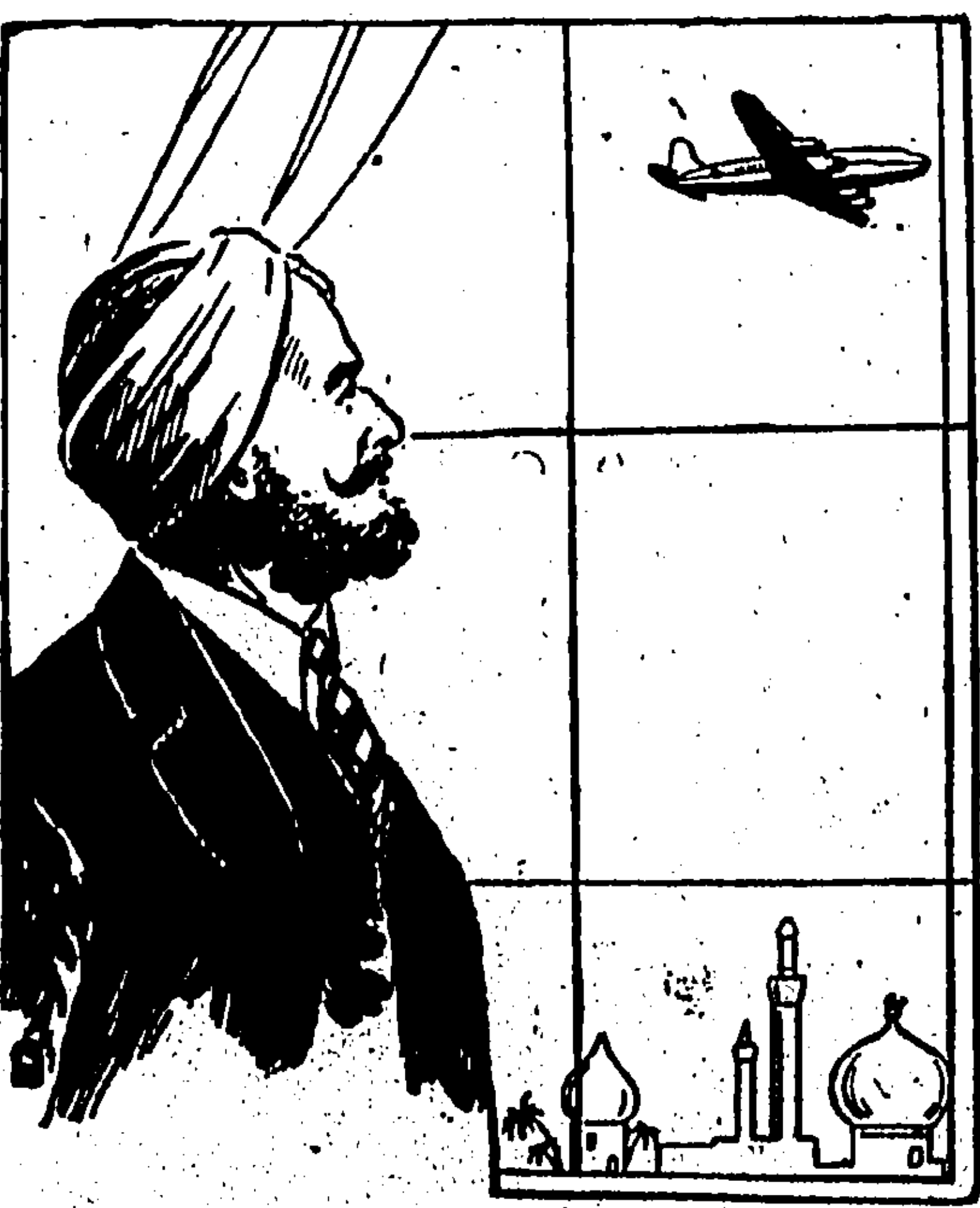
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Zionist organisation with
a home-made "bomb," a
37-year-old British Army
officer, Ivor Arthur Hill
Worth, was sent to prison
for 18 months today at
the Central Criminal
Court.

He told the court that his
object was to "hit back at the
Jewish murder organisation."
The prosecutor said that the
"bomb" consisted of some
nitric acid with cotton soaked
in paraffin attached to it, and
a cartridge as a detonator.
The bomb did not explode and
expert opinion was that it never
could have gone off.

Earlier this year, Worth was
bound over for three years for
attempting to set fire to a
Jewish synagogue at Bristol.—
Reuter.

Hopei Cabinet Resigns

NANKING, DEC. 13.
THE HOPEI PROVINCIAL
GOVERNMENT HEADED BY
GENERAL SUN LIEN-CHUNG
HAS RESIGNED EN BLOC.

The resignation of the provincial
Government had been received by the
Executive Yuan.

It further declared that the Execu-
tive Yuan was likely to accept the
resignation and appoint General Fu
Tso-yi, newly-appointed Commander-
in-Chief of North China, to succeed
General Sun.

It is believed that General Sun was
severely censured by the Central
Government following the Communist
capture of Shihchiachwang, the im-
portant rail junction in West Hopei,
recently.—Reuter-AAP.

Bitter Attacks On West

London, Dec. 12.
Almost the whole of today's session of the Council
of Foreign Ministers was devoted to a long
statement by M. Molotov, Soviet Foreign
Minister, on German reparations.

Mr. Ernest Bevin said afterwards: "I didn't dream
we would be subjected to insults and abuse in
the way we have been this afternoon. All the
people of the British Commonwealth will re-
sent such abuse."

"What is worse—after re-
peated denials and explanations
the same untrue statements are
repeated as though they have
never been answered."

M. Molotov had delivered a
bitter attack on the policy in
the western zones of Germany.

As at previous sessions of
the present conference, he ac-
cused Britain and the United
States of making profits from
the sale of coal and timber and
of using foreign capital to buy
up German firms.

M. Molotov also accused them
of imposing without consulta-
tion financial aid and credits in
Germany which would in the
long run cripple the German
economy.

He asserted that Britain and
the United States were at-
tempting to perpetuate the divi-
sion of Germany.

M. Bidault said that the
statement by the Soviet Foreign
Minister was "clearly intended
for another audience" and ad-
ded: "Considering the purpose
of this conference and the posi-
tions occupied at this table by
delegates in their own Govern-
ments, such method of proce-
dure makes it difficult to in-
spire respect for the dignity of
the Soviet Government."

At the beginning of the ses-
sion, the ministers decided to
leave discussion of the British
proposals for Germany economy
and turn to the Soviet proposals
on the future regime of the
Ruhr.

After brief comment, they
proceeded to discuss the exist-
ing administration in the An-
glo-American zone.—Reuter.

Slump In Theatre Shares

LONDON, DEC. 12.
SHARES IN ONE OF THE
MOST IMPORTANT BRANCHES
OF THE £50,000,000 BRITISH
"FILM EMPIRE" OF MR. J.
ARTHUR RANK FELL SOON
AFTER THE STOCK EXCHANGE
OPENED TODAY, FOLLOWING
THE DISCLOSURE THAT MR.
RANK HAD DROPPED OVER
£2,000,000 ON FILM-MAKING IN
SIX YEARS FROM 1940.

Ordinary shares of Odeon
Theatres, of which Mr. Rank is
Chairman, opened at 40/- and quick-
ly fell to 38/- because the magnate
plans to sell his film-producing Gen-
eral Cinema Finance Corporation to
Odeon Theatres.

If the sale goes through, Odeon
Theatres, which operate a network
of cinemas throughout Britain and
overseas, will be responsible for rais-
ing the £2,000,000 which the Cor-
poration needs to complete its pro-
gramme of 36 first feature films
next year.

Mr. Rank's explanation of the
Corporation's loss is that films such
as "Caesar and Cleopatra" greatly
enhanced the prestige of British films
but resulted in substantial losses.—
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CURSE OF EYE OF BRAHMA

Rome, Dec. 13.
Reminiscent of the
story of the Hope Dia-
mond curse is that con-
cerning the magnificent
black diamond, "Eye of
Brahma," once in the
possession of the Russian
Imperial family, two
possessors of which have
died in a month in Rome.

The diamond, which was of
195 carats, was the eye of an idol
in a temple at Pondicherry, in
French India. It was stolen by
a priest of the temple, and sold
to Prince Orloff, a favourite of
the Czarina, Catherine of Rus-
sia.

The seller was murdered, and
after Orloff's death, the stone
passed to the Russian Imperial
family, a fortune to all who pos-
sessed it.

Princess Bariatski, one-time
possessor, died when she fell
from a window of the pension
where she was staying in Rome,
last month, and now the last of
the Orloffs, 45-year-old Nadia
Orloff, wife of a French jeweller,
has died in similarly tragic cir-
cumstances.

The stone was broken up some
years ago by a jeweller in Ham-
burg, but superstitious people
here say that the curse lingers
on.—Our Own Correspondent.

WARNING TO TRIESTE

Trieste, Dec. 13.
The Allied Military Gov-
ernment warned Trieste re-
sidents today it would take
drastic action against
groups disturbing the pub-
lic order, whether they were
"tainted with fascism, red,
white or black."

The warning followed a
series of disorders earlier
this week protesting the al-
leged leniency of a Military
Government court in sen-
tencing three youths to
seven years' imprisonment
each for killing an 11-year-
old girl in a demonstration
on September 19.—Asso-
ciated Press.

Grant For Europe Aid

Washington, Dec. 13.
An agreement to provide im-
mediately a grant of \$150,000,
000 to countries receiving interim
aid was reached today by a joint
conference of the House of
Representatives and Senate.

The immediate grant will
benefit France, Italy and Aus-
tria. The lower house yesterday
approved total grants of \$530,
000,000.

The conference agreed that the
stop-gap relief programme should
end on March 31 and that only
ten per cent of relief goods could
be purchased outside the United
States.

Prices for goods bought else-
where must not be higher than
those prevailing in the United
States.—Reuter.

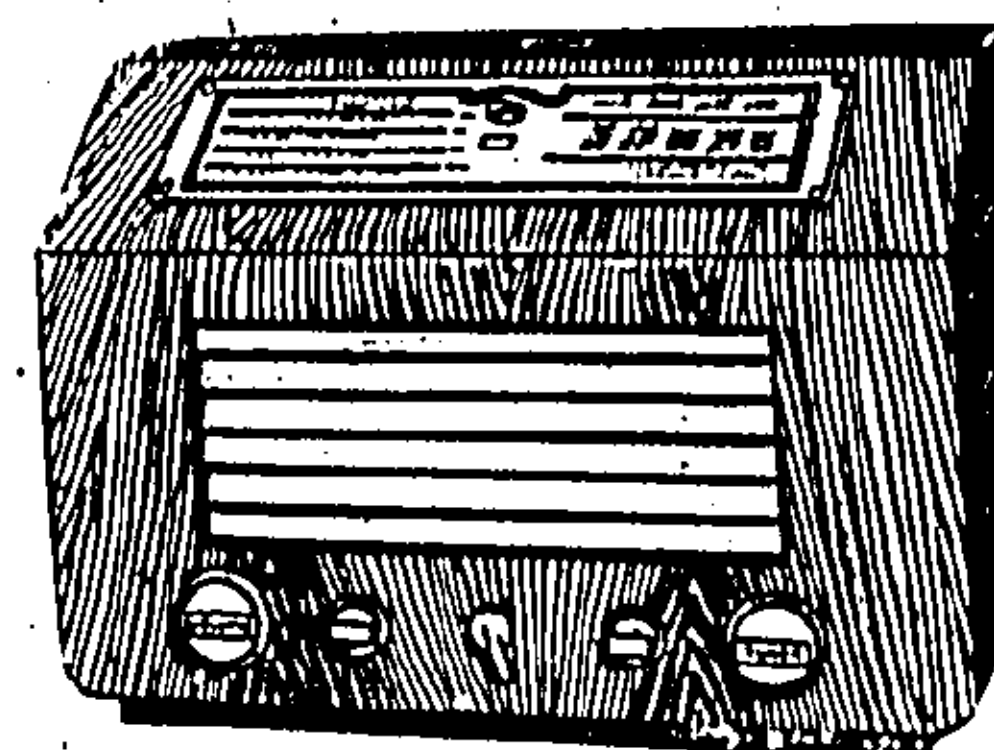
Bread Rations To Continue

London, Dec. 13.
Hopes that a proposed new
trade agreement with Soviet
Russia might mean the end of
bread rationing in England
were dashed today by an au-
thoritative source, who said
Britain would get no wheat un-
der the pact.

This informant declared that
Britain would receive more
than 500,000 tons of oat, corn
and barley under the short-
term agreement, but had not
asked for wheat. This, he said,
would be discussed in talks
scheduled for next May on a
projected long-term trade
treaty.

The coarse grain which will
be received from Russia will
be used for poultry and live-
stock feed, the source said.—
Associated Press.

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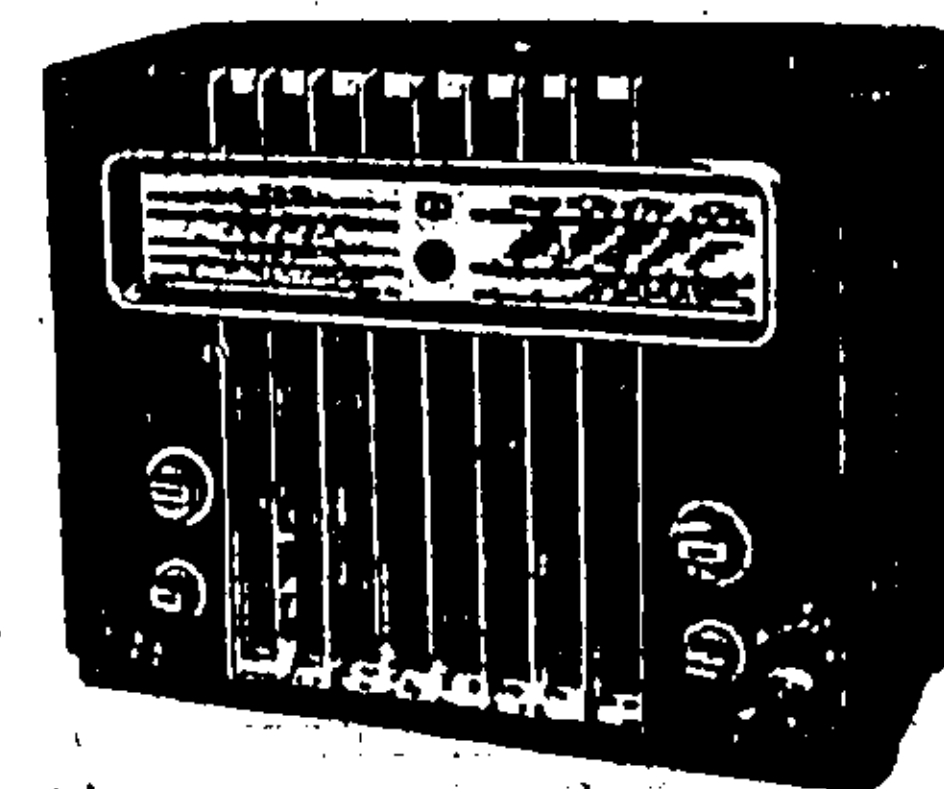
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December 26th

SPECIAL DINNER DANCE

11 1 a.m.

NEW YEAR'S EVE—

December 31st

SPECIAL DINNER DANCE

11 2 a.m.



HONGKONG HOTEL

XMAS EVE—December 24th

GALA DINNER DANCE

11 2 a.m.

BOXING DAY—

December 26th

SPECIAL DINNER DANCE

11 1 a.m.

NEW YEAR'S EVE—

December 31st

GALA DINNER DANCE

11 2 a.m.

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The Arabs Are Drilling To Fight It Out

REPORT FROM PALESTINE
By O'Dowd Gallagher

Jerusalem, Sunday.
The shooting in partitioned Palestine has begun. If it spreads, the Arabs can call up formidable forces to do battle with the Jews.

About 5,000 Palestine Arabs are now being given medical and weapon training in Syria under the general supervision of Fawzi Bey el-Kawukji, former field commander of the Arab Revolt against British policy in Palestine in 1936-39.

Frontier Trek

As each group finishes its course it filters back into Palestine and is replaced by a new one smuggled out across the frontier.

They are leaving Palestine weekly. One group of about 20 passed through Jerusalem last week in trucks, shouting in their fervor, "Ya'ish Mufti Falastin!" ("Long live the Mufti of Palestine!").

This was a significant flash of defiance, because there is a strict ban in Palestine against any reference to the ex-Mufti, Haj Amin el-Husseini, without prior special and rare sanction from the chief censor.

These Arabs will be the first to go into action if trouble starts in Palestine.

Their general plan is simplicity itself. They will withdraw into the part of Palestine which becomes the Arab State and be formed into guerrilla units.

Individual commanders of the units will use their own initiative in trying to achieve an over-all objective driving the Jews, whom they consider invaders, into the Mediterranean.

Their supreme leaders do not expect the Palestine Arabs to achieve this unaided. They hope for help from the seven countries of the Arab League, on eventual active support in the field of:

7,500 Syrian soldiers,
6,000 Saudi Arabians,
5,000 Egyptians,
4,500 Iraqis,
4,000 Lebanese,
2,500 Yemenites, and
A problematical contribution from King Abdullah's Transjordan.

Among the Palestine Arabs being trained in Syrian camps (barred to foreigners) are many who have been exiled from Palestine for taking part in the Arab Revolt of 1936-39.

Group leaders are being taught map-reading, with special regard for outlying Jewish communal farming settlements. In the first weeks of any

operations the Palestine Arabs would be confined to shallow-depth raids into the Jewish State and to the job of harassing the Jewish Agency's army, Hagana, until the Arab League send in reinforcements.

Food Blockade

An important part of Palestine Arab activity would be to try to cut Jewish communications by ambushing roads and tracks connecting Jewish cities, towns, and villages with their food-producing farming settlements.

A senior British officer said: "Tel-Aviv, with its 600,000 inhabitants, would be difficult to feed for long in such circumstances." A practical Jew said: "We would feel Tel-Aviv by sea. The Arabs have no torpedoes. And we, like the Arabs, would get help from outside. There are many determined Jews in America."

Britain has taken at least one step as mandatory Power to minimize tensions by Palestine Arabs to join in any fight between Arabs and Jews, or a United Nations force. The old wire that marked the Egypt-Palestine border has been replaced largely by a stronger triple apron of barbed-wire, deeply staked.

It was said that it was to prevent smugglers unwittingly bringing Egyptian cholera to Palestine. This is not correct.

The value of such a "defence" may be doubted when it is recalled



A Jew on the ground an attack by an Arab (bending over him at left in picture), during anti-partition riots in Jerusalem on Dec. 2.

that Arab rebels removed 17 miles of wire across the Syrian-Palestine frontier during the Arab Revolt by tying sections of it to teams of camels, who were then driven forward, tearing it out by the stakes.

One item the Arabs appear to have in quantity is mortars. They are smuggled in from Egypt, across the Sinai Desert, probably, and ironically, along part of the same

Desert Scrounge

They collected much of it from the Western Desert, keeping hard on the heels of the Eighth Army, which was treading on the heels of the Africa Corps.

This would account for reliable reports that most Arab arms in Palestine are of British, German, and Italian manufacture.

Why has Britain not cut off this arms supply route? Because she cannot without deploying almost the entire British army in Palestine (about 60,000) along that straggling border.

I asked an Arab leader if there was any animosity towards Britain now that she was prepared to quit Palestine. He replied: "No—so long as the British do not get between the Arabs and any force that tries to inflict partition on Palestine."

Why British Doctors Lag Behind U.S.

By A Medical Correspondent

Nowadays a new kind of miracle cure is making the headlines. Instead of pilgrimages to Lourdes, we read almost daily of a desperate flight to the United States to secure treatment by some new wonder drug for a hitherto incurable disease; and certainly some of these unfortunate are cured.

The latest healing weapons, substances with uncouth names like streptomycin and the radio-active isotopes, seem to be found only on the other side of the Atlantic.

British sufferers who are not rich or well enough to make the journey have to rely on a charitable response to pathetic broadcast appeals.

Does this represent a real superiority over British medicine and surgery? The answer, to a considerable extent, is yes, and for the following reasons:

In the first place, since America is a bigger and wealthier country than ours, the financial and industrial resources behind medical development are so much greater. In numerous centres great research institutions, amply endowed—usually from private sources—attract the cream of young medical and scientific graduates to work in beautifully equipped laboratories.

Teamwork in research is brought to a high pitch, and it is concentrated team investigation on short-term practical problems which pays dividends nowadays, as witness the work on the atomic bomb and our own wartime operational research on radar.

America shines not so much in originality as in the power of the exploitation of every possible application of new ideas from all sources. Though it was our own Sir Alexander Fleming and Sir Howard Florey who discovered penicillin, it was left to the huge industrial plants of the States, not like ours entirely diverted to war purposes, to produce this substance on a large scale.

New Cure

If this had not been so penicillin would not have been made during the war at all, and our wounded serving men would have lost their greatest ally.

Once it had been shown that one fungus could produce an antibacterial agent, the Americans began a systematic investigation of every other fungus and micro-organism for possibly useful derivatives, and in this way hit upon streptomycin, which now cures in many cases the formerly intractable fatal diseases of tuberculous meningitis and military tuberculosis.

Only small quantities have been sent here for trial but now that the know-how of production is available our own plants will soon be in action.

In the same way, though the discovery of the sulphur drugs was originally made in Europe, from their crude origins American scientists made an exhaustive survey of every new chemical derivative that might possibly be of use, checking it against infectious disease in man and animals.

Atom Helps

In this way they evolved sulphathiazole for virulent asplasia, sulphaguanidine for dysentery, and a host of others. Once again enthusiasm, organization and ample resources produced the results.

A striking instance is connected with the work on the atomic bomb, which was of course, based to a large extent on British ideas. The development of this weapon involved the incidental manufacture of a number of isotopes, facsimiles of the normal chemical elements, and some of these are radio-active.

These proved of immense value in investigating the working of the body tissues and in treating established disease. Thus, radio-active iodine, like ordinary iodine, is taken up by the thyroid gland; and its radio-activity enables it to cure over-active conditions of the gland, such as Graves' disease, which were formerly only to be remedied by surgical removal.

Ingenuity

Another isotope is radio-active phosphorus, which, absorbed into the blood, is used to deal with forms of cancer arising from the blood corpuscles. Because these isotopes are not produced in great quantity, and because some secrecy attaches to their mode of production, only very minute amounts have been made available here.

But now that our own atomic-energy plant is operating at Harwell, British scientists will, by next year, get most of their needs from this source.

But it is notably in surgery that American enthusiasm and mechanical ingenuity have led to the development of really original and valuable techniques which have made that country a Mecca for patients the world over who need a particular type of operation.

It is through American orthopaedic surgeons that the crippling and inexplicable affliction of scoliosis is now known to be due to the pressure on nerve roots of a squeezed-out portion of the cartilage cushions which are the shock absorbers of the spinal column. Now this condition is recognized and cured by operation in every large city the world over.

Finally, it is a little paradoxical that perhaps the most important single contribution to the medical science of the materialistic United States is the idea that a man's emotions are as important as physical factors in causing disease, and that he must be regarded as a physical and psychological unity if the root cause of illness is to be found.

Ballyhoo

All this must not be taken as meaning that we are hopelessly outclassed in the "healing art" for such is not the case. There is another side to the picture. Our specialists and general practitioners are equal, as individuals, to the best in the world.

Oddly enough, just because America has a higher proportion of specialists to its population, the medical of the materialistic United States is the idea that a man's emotions are as important as physical factors in causing disease, and that he must be regarded as a physical and psychological unity if the root cause of illness is to be found.

Money Need

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Untreated syphilis can cause heart disease, paralysis, death. Untreated gonorrhea can lead to blindness (especially in children), crippling, sterility. Early treatment makes the difference!

What you DON'T know CAN hurt you. Many people have syphilis or gonorrhea and don't know it. Symptoms may not seem serious. Protect yourself... know them!

Syphilis symptoms: a little sore on the exposed part. Even if it heals, the disease isn't cured. It is spreading through the body! Other symptoms: sometimes a headache; sore throat and fever; often a reddish-brown rash.

Gonorrhea symptoms: discomfort in urinations; a discharge of pus. In women, there may be so small as to pass unnoticed.

Everybody needs a blood test! Though most cases of syphilis could be prevented by proper care, this disease can be caught innocently—it is so catching, so deceiving. Don't take a chance! Usually a blood test will discover syphilis. If a test shows that you haven't the disease, you will feel relieved. If it shows that you have, you will be glad you found out in time. For time is what counts!

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Prepare Now For The Fun
You'll Have At Christmas
By CLAUDIA

Christmas will soon be here, presents are piling up ready for distribution, invitations to Christmas parties are filling the mailbags and Christmas cakes and puddings are in the making.

In the midst of all these plans and preparations you feel that you can scarcely find a minute to yourself, yet at the same time, you want to look your radiant best for the festivities. There will be more eating and drinking, more parties, dinners and dances, but you must keep your freshness and vitality, the sparkle in your eyes and the glow in your cheeks.

Try to fit in an extra hour's sleep each day throughout the Christmas season. A few early nights beforehand will help to prepare you for late nights and hours of dancing. If an early night is not possible, take an hour's rest during the day and sleep if you can. Many people find it difficult, if not impossible, to sleep in the daytime, no matter how tired they may be, but the rest is the thing, even if you lie comfortably on the bed and read a book.

If you are too busy to take a long rest, practice complete relaxation for a few minutes each day. Just lie flat and limp and concentrate your mind on willing each muscle to relax, one by one, keeping your mind blank of any other thought. If you can achieve a sensation of floating in space, like a disembodied spirit, you will be tremendously rested and revitalised, gaining renewed life and energy.

Indulge In A Masque

Treat yourself to a weekly face masque throughout the festive season. This will keep your skin supple and soft, smoothing away the tiny lines of fatigue and refreshing the surface tissues. Always clean your face thoroughly before applying the masque, using lots of cleansing cream or milk. And while the masque is on, rest as quietly as possible without talking or moving the features. By combining the masque with your relaxation routine you can double the beneficial effect and rise feeling fit for anything.

Eyes need special care, for long hours in brightly lit rooms filled with smoky air, will make

them tired and dull. Use a good eye lotion morning and evening or a simple home-made solution of one teaspoonful of boracic crystals dissolved in a pint of boiled water. When you have your face masqued, give your eyes a special beauty pack of their own. Fill two small muslin bags with used tea leaves, dip them in hot water, wring out and place one bag on each eyelid while you are resting. Tea-revives your lashes, applied night and morning with a tiny brush, will encourage the growth and keep them soft and silky, preventing the constant use of mascara from causing them to become dry and brittle.

Peroxide Comes In Useful

Your arms and shoulders must be kept soft and gleaming for evening décolletés. If your suntan is fading, keep up the scrubbing when you bathe, then massage in a good night cream to which you have added a few drops of peroxide of hydrogen. The cream will keep the skin soft and smooth and the peroxide will keep it clear and white. It is an excellent idea to use a few drops of peroxide on your toothbrush too, especially if you are likely to be smoking more than usual.

Drink a glass of water first thing every morning and another just before you go to bed. This will keep your skin clear right through the festivities and take the Christmas fare in your stride!

Give your scalp a few minutes friction each day, with spirit or friction lotion, then brush vigorously to remove dust and smoke. Add a mere touch of brilliantine before you go out and your hair will be crisp and burnished as though you had just visited the hairdresser. And lastly, make a final check of the contents of your beauty cupboard, to make quite sure that you have all the correct make-up to go with your evening gown. See that you have a powder base, flattering to the arms and shoulders as well as to the face; a lighter shade of blending powder, and the rouges and lipsticks to harmonise with your colour schemes!

Frocks For The Festivities

By JANET MARTIN

Everyone likes to have a new frock for Christmas, something rather special for gala evenings. And this year the designers have provided us with such a galaxy of varying styles, such a wealth of inspired detail, that we have an almost unlimited choice to work on.

Today I shall describe for you a selection of gowns from the world's leading salons and from the screen, which is surely one of the most important mediums for displaying new fashions.

Each gown is entirely different: you can be sleekly sophisticated, bouffant in frills, or draped like a Greek statue. You can sweep a train, show merely the tips of your dancing shoes, or reveal a dainty pair of ankles.

Simple Sophistication

The gown featured for you is an inspiration of sophisticated simplicity, worn by Deanna Durbin of Universal-International Films. A pencil slim sheath, moulded to the figure from neck to ankle and from shoulder to wrist. Small slits at the sides of the floor length skirt allow room for dancing and show a glimpse of smart ankle-strapped sandals. The only relief is supplied by the dramatic collar and cuffs of stiff white pique. The collar is relieved with a trim white gardenia. No jewellery is worn, except the unusual jewelled cuff links and the matching earrings. This is definitely the "dress of the month" . . . it would be effective in rich satin or the heaviest crepe, but it must be black to convey that subtle impression of the dinner jacket.

Another delightful design, is also in black and white, but with an entirely different emphasis. It is a full picture gown of white silk net, over a satin foundation. Tiny, close fitting bodice with a low decolletage and a cunningly swathed fold of net around the shoulders; the fullest of frilly skirts, showing the tips of the toes . . . and that touch of inspired detail which gives life to a design . . . large gleaming bows of black satin ribbon, scattered here and there over the skirt.

From New York comes a unique "Junior Miss" creation, featuring the new skirt length. It has a snugly fitting black bodice with "off the shoulder" neckline and the briefest of cap sleeves. The skirt is of gay candy striped material, fairly full and reaching to just above the ankles. The stripes are perpendicular and are criss-crossed at the waist with sequins, giving a most unusual checked effect.

Paris, too, displays the new skirt, one of the most effective interpretations being in taffeta, with closely moulded bodice shirred all over, like a telescopic swim suit, demure "off the shoulder" decolletage and full swinging skirt. This model is worn with the new eye-catching sandals, criss-crossed with ribbons at the ankles.

New Canadian Designs

Canadian designers are coming to the fore. French-style has a new version of the "popcorn" "Edwardian" line, with shallow neckline, tiny puffed sleeves and a flattering apron drape, smooth at the front and reaching down to the knees, drawn up in folds to the waistline at the back and finished with a modified bustle bow. The bodice is buttoned right down the back with tiny self material buttons — just like

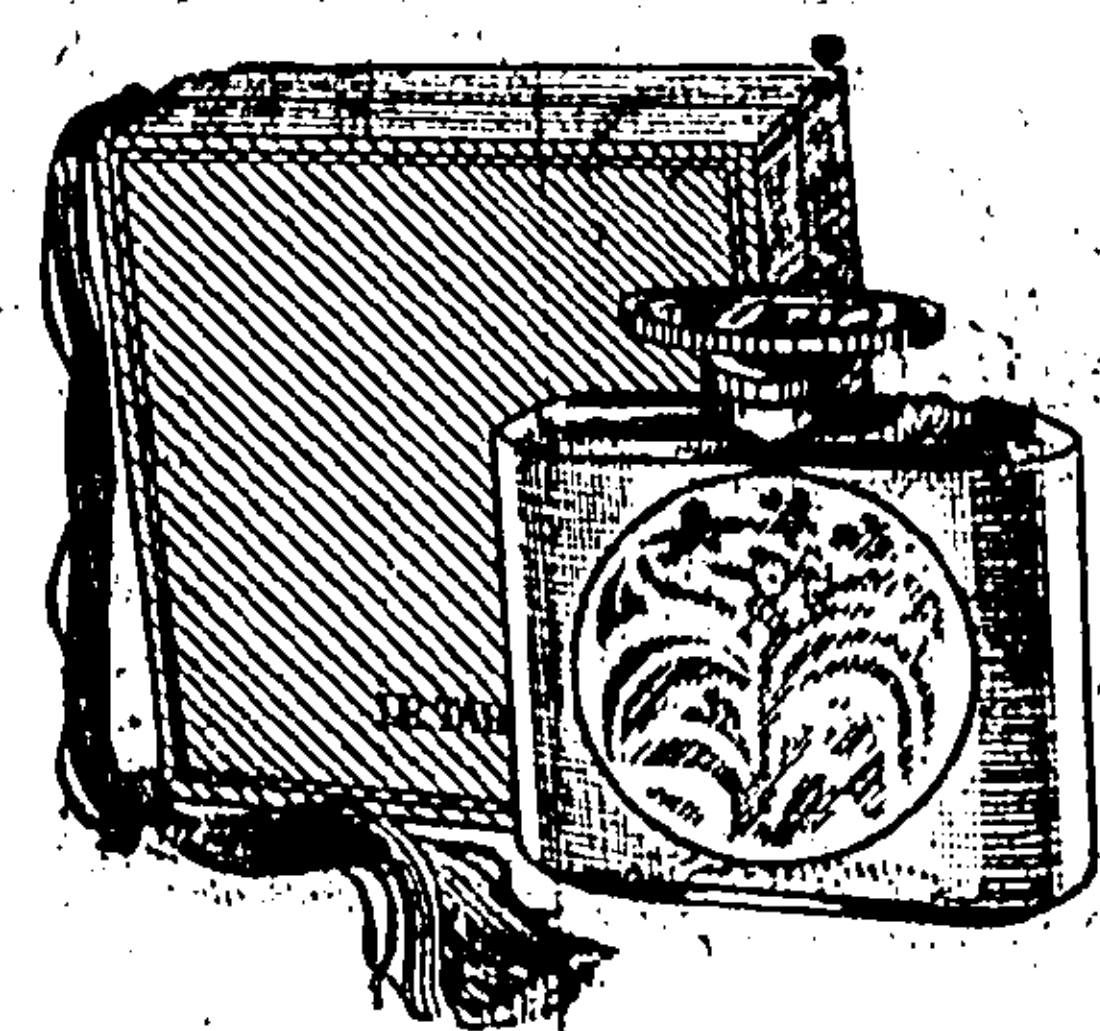
appeared. It hung straight from the shoulders and was gathered loosely over a hooped petticoat. By the 1750's the size of the hoops used had decreased, but the hoop was not dispensed with until the end of the century.

And then, about the 1850-60's, what should happen to women's skirts? Why, the hoop of course! Back it bowed, wide as ever, bringing with it traffic blocks and femininity. And then it rolled off back into obscurity. Thank goodness.

Will it come back for formal wear? English dress authority, James Laver, in his "English Costume of the Eighteenth Century," has this to say about the hoop: "The persistence and recurrence of hoops is one of the oddest phenomena in the history of fashion, and it is by no means absolutely certain, even yet (1945), that they will not recur." Ministers and Commissioners permitting.



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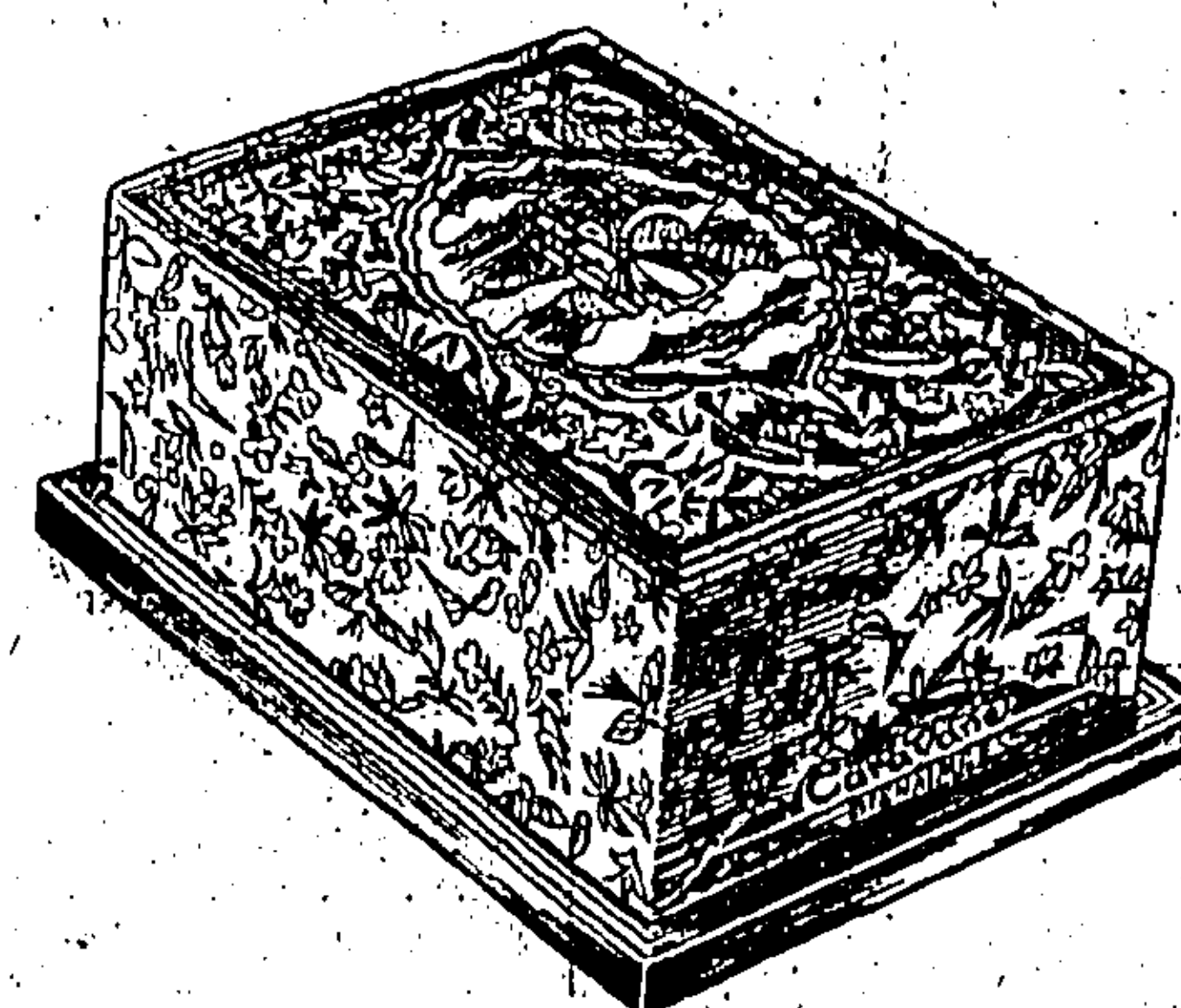


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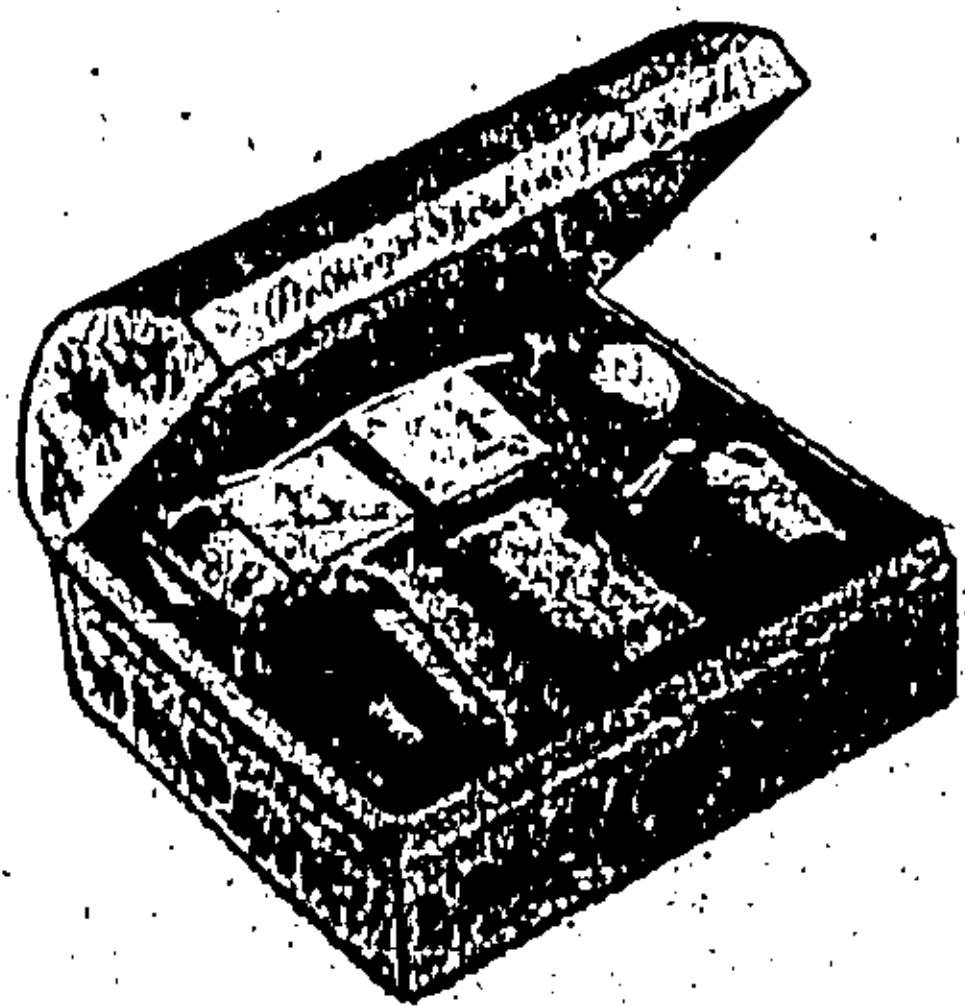
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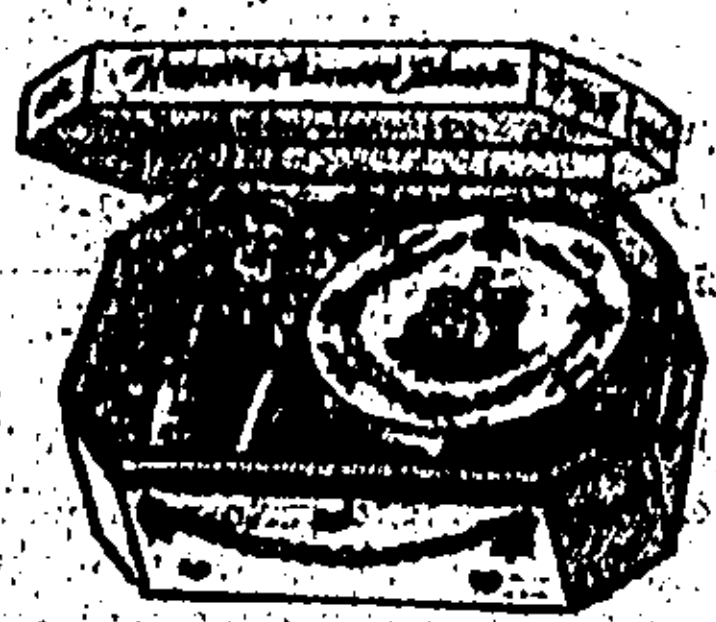


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SKIN DISEASE CAN BE DIFFICULT TO CURE

By VICTOR MAMAK

One of the most common skin diseases of today is acne, with which this article deals. Acne can be likened to the Common Cold, which affects everyone in a greater or lesser degree—and yet there is no universal "cure" for it.

Acne is best described as a skin with an ugly disposition. It is recognized by its obstinacy, its deep seatedness, its baffling causes, and sometimes its immunity to treatment.

There are six known kinds of acne and in each case the eruption is varied in character—blackheads, pimples, pustules and nodules, however, form the chief components.

Most commonly acne makes its appearance when the victim is in his or her teens. It reaches the height of its severity in the early twenties, and then gradually fades away. But it very often leaves the skin in a poor condition—clogged pores and roughness being the most common after-effects.

Specialists claim that it is caused by glandular disturbances, and some say it is nerves. No doubt glands and nerves do contribute largely to acne, for they play an important part in the condition of the skin. Acne and nervousness seem to go hand in hand. It is significant that a great majority of acne victims are of highly nervous temperament, very sensitive and usually "on edge" most of the time.

Causes Of Acne

An acne condition can, however, be reasonably attributed to all or any of the following predisposing causes:

1. Due to infection of the sebaceous glands and hair follicles, commonly those of the face, shoulders, back and chest, by means of a germ called the acne bacillus.
2. Improper diet—over indulgence in rich, starchy and fried foods, pastries, condiments and sweets.
3. Failure to properly assimilate the food that is consumed.
4. Debilitating illness—glandular disturbances and pelvic disorders.
5. Irregular methods of living and failure to exercise, bathe and breathe properly.
6. Faulty elimination through the internal eliminating organs and through the skin itself.
7. Lack of vitamins, especially A & D.

Mild cases may respond favorably to correct diet, regular elimination of waste from the bowels, sufficient exercise in the sunshine and fresh air alone. Severe cases, which must be treated by a doctor, have been known to be cured by administering preparations of yeast and

sulphur internally. Injections of a vaccine made from the acne bacillus have proved successful in some cases, while others remained immune to this treatment.

Similarly X-ray therapy and ultra-violet light has been employed quite successfully in some cases, while others would not respond to these treatments at all.

Care In Cosmetics

Cosmetics, naturally, must be used with the utmost discretion on an acne skin, for it is extremely sensitive. Cleansing creams activated with vitamins A & D should be used for cleansing, followed by washing the face and affected areas with mild soap and water. The skin should not be massaged, as circulation is apt to spread infection.

Care should be taken in the application of make-up. It is advisable to discard a powder puff and substitute fresh pieces of cotton wool, which should be used once and thrown away. Eruptions, and blemishes must not be squeezed, no matter how great the temptation. When expelling blackheads or opening pustular lesions, the finger tips should always be covered with a piece of sterilized linen or gauze, and the area wiped with alcohol afterwards.

Some dermatologists believe that infection from dandruff plays a part in certain types of facial blemishes, so it is well to make certain that the scalp is clean and free from scales.

Mild sunbathing is also helpful in correcting an acne condition.

ENGLISH MODELS SHOWING HERE

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Girl Scouts Help German Women

By MARY KELLY

Of The Christian Science Monitor

The German woman is slowly opening her eyes to a new kind of leadership in a new kind of world. In too many instances she sees her children underfed, herself without shoes, living in jam-packed rooms with other families and suffering great hardships in transportation, and she is too beaten down to realize that she is slowly coming out from under the Nazi philosophy, or any kind of philosophy.

Yet in certain outstanding German women there is evidence of an interesting change, according to Miss Gertrude Bruns of the International Division of the National Headquarters of Girl Scouts in America.

Miss Bruns, a young Girl Scout leader of Madison, Wisconsin, returned to America recently after spending 13 months in the American Zone in Germany. Her immediate work was with the 62 German women who voluntarily took a youth leadership course given by the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts.

Her experiences gave full opportunity to observe the hausfrau in the food line, in the crowded shared kitchens, or the fraulein on her way to the business office.

Morale Is Not High

The result was not a heroic picture of the German woman of today as a symbol of exaggerated courage, cheerfully making the best of things. Rather the general morale is not high. There is little interest in politics or industry. Skeleton rationing and lack of heating have dulled initiative in the average woman.

On the other hand there are some women in Germany to-day who unquestionably are leaders, to a small or great extent.

The 62 women who came from all parts of the American Zone were eager and "very receptive" to the ideas of Girl Scout leaders from other lands.

"The German women valued the ethical principles of Scouting," Miss Bruns said. "Twice as many as we could take applied for admission."

"We felt that the impulse had to come from individual German women. We welcomed them as participants in the training with out asking them to obligate them-

selves in any way to work with a group after completion of that training."

Some of those who came in with scepticism left the course with praise on their lips.

"They said it was their first breath of fresh air in 14 years. In addition to wanting to learn new handicrafts and new games, they had been making note of the leaders from other countries. They liked the vitality, the love of living which they saw."

"They were frank in praising the tactfulness and politeness with which suggestions were made. Their letters to us have been full of superlatives."

There were two training courses held for the German leaders of "Pfadfinderinnen" (Girl Scouts). The trainees lived in tents, five in a unit. They elected their own leader, the leaders making up a council which helped to determine the program.

Mixed Students

Among the 62 women who took the instruction were teachers, university students, physicians, office workers, war widows. Although Scouting had been banned in Germany in 1933, it was disclosed that "Pfadfinderinnen" groups had met secretly in sections of the Rhine Valley and in Munich, also that they had assisted in smuggling Jews to safety.

Despite the Nazi attitude toward Scouting, certain pamphlets setting forth the law and plan of Girl Scouting had been circulated and republished in Germany in 1931, and were even in use in German schools where English was taught, Miss Bruns declared.

The German Girl Scout has an "honest hunger" for human contact.

Her interest in making friends with girls in other countries is sincere and quite apart from wanting packages, Miss Bruns emphasized.

The World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts has received requests from "Pfadfinderinnen" in all parts of Germany for literature and assistance. The new for "warm clothing, shoes, hats and other essentials" is still great, Miss Bruns said. By way of illustration she remarked that the clothing ration for a four-year-old child in Bavaria is one spoon of white thread!

Fur in a flash-back



Fashion's newest favourites are fur jackets—neither the pocket of the average woman now that full length fur coats are so dear.

New colours are used for these jackets so that with the improved cutting and workmanship they possess a swing and fauntiness they've never had before.

In keeping with the present flash-back in fashion, they have an Edwardian air about them—hip-length, tightly waisted, small basques. Matching muffs tend to stress that "Eighties" and "Nineties" look.

On the left a mole jacket with very full loose sleeves. The waist is nipped in tightly and the ends

of the jacket are pulled through loops at the waist to hang below the jacket in front like a stole.

Next, a mink jacket with the smallest of waists, beneath which flares out a double fluted basque.

To the right, mink makes another jacket with melon sleeves. It is belted to front and has the ends looped up to form a muff. The back of the jacket is unbelted and swings out casually.

On the right is a dyed ermine cape with an unusual, peplum effect.

—EDNA McKENNA
(Drawing by Berill)

SEEN AT A PARTY

A pretty girl, with a fascinating bracelet, consisting of single earrings. The bright idea dawned when musing over the loss of their treasured partners. Now she collects spares from friends and has them soldered on by a jeweller.

Just met a friend chortling with joy. She had a drawer full of shrunken socks belonging to her husband. She bought one of the new stocking driers, a frame made to the shape of the foot. Bright girl got a drier a size too big, and when the socks were wet stretched them on the drier. Result—a drawer full of good socks!

EDNA McKENNA.

Redecorate Your Bedroom

Here is an idea to make a small room look larger, and at the same time give an unusual setting to a single bed, or a double bed, for that matter.

A room with two windows, and the head of the bed against the wall between them, is apt to become rather monotonously regular after a while.

Brighten the room up by placing a long curtain rod right across, from the outside edge of one window to the outside edge of the other. You'll have to support it on small brackets, so that it will catch the wall without touching it.

Then hang long, overlapping curtains from this rod. Draw them back loosely on the outside edge of the window, so that they hang softly to the floor. Light net curtains can then be hung on ordinary rods, on the inside edges of the windows, peeping out from the folds of the large drapes.

If you use floral material for the first curtains and white, thin net for the second, any bedroom will have an old-world, lavender-and-spice look. You can continue the colour scheme with frills of the same material on the dressing-table, and an armchair covered in the same floral pattern.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

When a hot water bottle has had its day, cut off the top and use the rest as a bag for your bathing suit.

Spice your apple sauce by dissolving a few pieces of hard candy in the syrup in which the apples are cooked.

To clear the atmosphere in a smoke-filled room, burn a candle there.

To prevent bruises from swelling apply immediately a cloth about five folds in thickness, dipped in cold water. When the cloth becomes warm renew the wetting.

To remove iron rust from clothing, cover the stain with lemon juice and salt and place it in the sun. Yes, of course, is applicable only to clothing that is washable.

Diluting a can of condensed soup with milk in place of water makes it better flavoured and more nourishing.

Crocheted lace can be cut without unravelling if it is stitched across the lace on the sewing machine twice, then a small space left, and stitched across twice more. Cut between the two rows of stitching.

To keep porcelain sinks, or any other porcelain surface, immaculate, add a little kerosene to the soap and water with which it is washed.

Use witch hazel instead of water to apply your cake make-up. It will give a much more transparent appearance and will be more natural looking.

The brown stains which mysteriously appear on one's clothes from time to time are probably tannin stains from tea, coffee, beer, soft drinks, fresh fruit and vegetable juices.

They are not always visible when fresh and appear only after exposure to air from heat or light. They are apt to become permanently set as time goes on so that it is very difficult to remove them. As soon as you notice the stain, sponge in clean cold water, and send to the cleaner at once, explaining what has happened.



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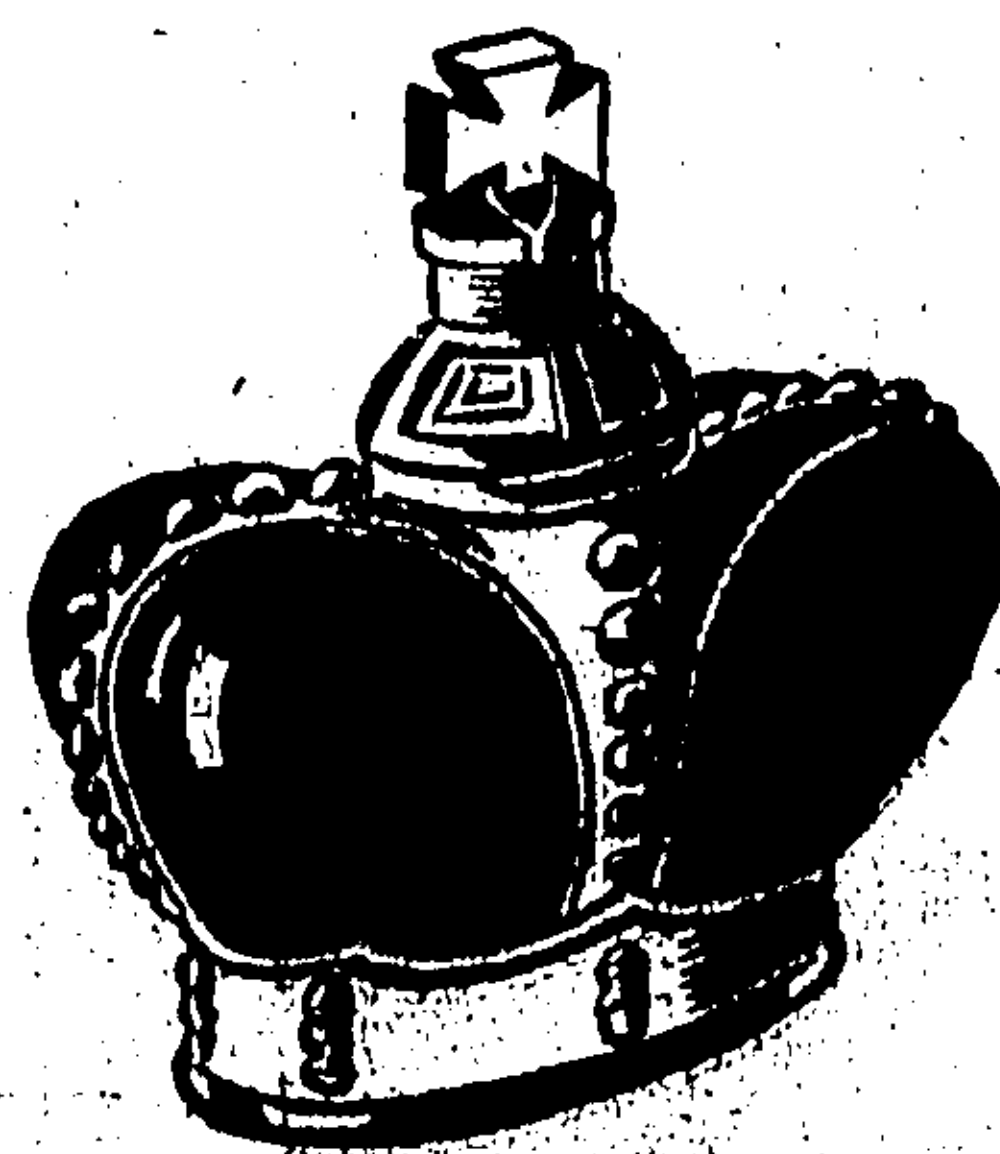
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Jogjakarta -- Indonesian Capital

How Vain Are All These Glories:
All our pains
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What Beauty Gains

I doubt if Pope's words ever fitted more aptly than at present. They could be applied to the world in general, but nowhere could they fit more aptly than in Java. Here is a country so rich in beauty that it intoxicates the senses; so rich in natural wealth that it not only provides for the seventy odd million in habitants of its own but has vast quantities of rice, rubber, tea, coffee, quinine and vanilla for export!

Only to the business man, starved for these commodities, can this statement carry full significance. Men will die—and have died recently—for a chance to carry off these rich cargoes to the hungry ports of Asia.

When one realises the poverty of the Indonesians in such things as clothes, medical supplies, machinery for rehabilitation etc., and the equally urgent need of the Dutch for foreign credit—ready and waiting the moment eager ships are given right-of-way to Javanese ports—one wonders at the lack of good sense being shown.

Can one presume to criticise either the Dutch or Indonesians for this foolish handling of the first soft light of dawn is to see a picture of unforgettable beauty.

Java, indeed, is the most beautiful country I have yet seen. It is a paradise for tourists. I found the Indonesians much more friendly than those of other countries. Their manners are practically unobtainable and petrol exceedingly

scarcely I rarely had to travel anywhere on foot.

The soil shows an amazing fecundity. Year after year, crop after crop, with nothing but the crudest of implements to work the soil, the farmer takes his living from the ground. I watched one tilling his field. A pair of pale, gentle eyed oxen pulled the primitive plough through the soft soil; in the background Mount Merapi rose into the blue sky, a collar of white clouds encircling its smooth slopes. Here, I reflected, were the same implements, the same methods, the same scene as a passerby would look upon for centuries past. The farmer provided the one anachronism—he wore a pair of military shorts!

Also unchanged by time are the clumsy tjikars, those heavy carts used by the Javanese for bringing in the crops. At a modest two or three miles per hour they lurch along the highways, drawn by a pair of those sad-eyed oxen. These creatures look as though they bear the sorrows of the world upon their hump. What happen to these leisurely vehicles when the tide of automobiles finally engulfs Java is not difficult to realise. When they are driven from the roads Java will lose one of her most picturesque features.

Jogjakarta is famous for its silverware. I was fortunate in seeing a coffee set taking shape. One artisan in particular remains in my mind. He was a youngster of about fourteen and he was working on a cream jug for the coffee set. The jug had a bulbous base, narrow waist and flared neck and had been benten from the one sheet of silver! Only the handle was to be separate. Here I saw examples of such exquisite craftsmanship I did not know existed in our age of mass production.

Batik work is another famed product of Jogjakarta (or Djogja if you prefer brevity). This is the art of stencilling cloth in traditional patterns with coloured dyes. A good sarong costs a fabulous amount in local currency but can be bartered for a length of printed cotton at a paltry cost, owing to the great scarcity of cloth. Unfortunately one learns these wrinkles too late.

Lack of space compels me to conclude at this point. Next week I hope to be able to tell you something of Javanese culture; take you through the grounds of the Sultan of Jogjakarta's Palace; show you the old Water Palace, and describe to you the wonders of the ruins of Borobodor, that huge Buddhist monument discovered by Sir Stamford Raffles.

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MEN WOMEN AND MEMORIES

By ATTICUS

A close friend of the late Earl Lloyd George questions my statement that "Prime Ministers are exempt by custom if not by law" from obtaining the approval of the competent departments to the publication of their memoirs. At any rate it came to his knowledge that Lloyd George's Memoirs of the first world war and of the peace treaties were submitted for official approval and that all official requests and suggestions were complied with. It would seem, therefore, that Mr. Churchill is liable to the same degree of censorship as other writers of Ministerial memoirs. In recent years several books by ex-Ministers have been held up from publication or delayed, and a good deal of resentment has been aroused, which may come to a head before long.

The Patience Of de Gaulle

I note with cynical amusement that General de Gaulle's Italy is now being denounced by the Communists as "the American Party" and by Vichyites as a Vichy Party.

I saw a good deal of the General during the war and I should say without hesitation that, next to obstinacy, his greatest quality was patience. When during the war he stood alone for France he suffered from the antagonism of the Americans as well as the hatred of Vichy generals.

He had angered President Roosevelt, a keen Giraudist, by his raid on the island of St. Pierre et Miquelon. His supreme test of self-command came when, the Americans being at last convinced of his value, he paid his first visit to Washington. He was advised by his local representative to pay his first visit to General Pershing, then well over eighty, still alive today, and a permanent invalid of the Walter Reed General Hospital.

The American veteran gave him a soldier's greeting. He grasped de Gaulle's hand, gazed into his blue Lorraine eyes and whispered gently: "Now, young man, tell me how is my old friend Petain?" General de Gaulle never flinched. His sense of humour is not lively, but today this is one of his best stories.

Two Elephants

I deplore the publication of General Patton's diary, and I doubt very much if that gallant soldier, were he alive today, would ever have permitted it. These revelations are part and parcel of an American attempt to prove that the United States, like Russia, not only provided the great strategists, but won the war single-handed.

One American general—and he was incomparably the greatest—must be acquitted of this muddaking, and that is, of course, General Eisenhower. He is delighted to learn that King Frederik of Denmark has just conferred on him the high order of Knight of the Elephant.

Three weeks ago I was in Frederiksborg, the magnificent Danish castle which is now the historical museum of the oldest monarchy in Europe. Its church houses the shields of the Knights of the Elephant. The last shield, staggeringly bright in its newness, and with a Crusader and a lion, was the shield of the King.

"Monty" himself, supporting the arms, was that of Field-Marshal Montgomery.

It is fitting and proper that the shield of Eisenhower should hang at its side. Together the two men were great. Divided they would have failed.

Diplomat Into Author

I learn that Mr. Duff Cooper, who is to vacate the Paris Embassy at the end of the year will make his home in the enchanting Chantilly house of Mr. William Bullitt, the former American Ambassador to France.

It is Mr. Duff Cooper's intention to devote the rest of his life to writing. He may give us another "Talleyrand," for he is a brilliant historian.

But personally I hope that he will concentrate on his memoirs. Fearless in the expression of his views, he has been for long an assiduous diarist, and among politicians he possesses a pen which is equalled only by that of Mr. Churchill.

Young Men to Watch

I am increasingly impressed by the earnest manner in which many young men whose birth destinies them for the House of Lords are, in the post-war world, shouldering their responsibilities. For instance, Lord Ednam, the 27-year-old heir of Lord Dudley, who inherits the sound administrative and business brain of his father and the charm of his mother, who was killed in the Meopham air disaster in 1930.

As a boy he won a scholarship at Eton. Then like many others he was snatched almost from school to the recent war, in which he was wounded in Italy. Since then his time has been devoted to an intensive preparation for his career, including Oxford, a year with a leading firm of accountants, and now active work in the offices of the Steel Federation.

He is now enjoying his first holiday, and it is typical that the holiday is part business, part pleasure. Married to Stella, elder of the attractive daughters of Dr. Carcano, the former Argentine Ambassador in London, he is now, with his wife and infant son, on his way for the first time to the Argentine—albeit as penniless as the poorest emigrant, so strictly are the currency regulations interpreted.

Cultivating His Garden

We are now building twice as many ships as in 1935. We owe praise to the workers, the designers, and all connected with the industry. Let me name one outstanding figure, Lord Aberconway, who, as chairman of John Brown & Co., was present at the launching of the new Cunarder by Princess Elizabeth. For many years he has supplied the drive and initiative to the great coal and shipping interests with which he is connected.

He has been a leader since he was captain of the Opplidans at Eton over 40 years ago. Like President Beneš he finds his relaxation in change of work. His political career included 16 years as a Member of Parliament and a hectic period as principal private secretary to Lloyd George, John Chamberlain of the "Express," and a keen interest in the affairs of the country.

in international affairs. He is one of our greatest gardeners, and has been since 1931 President of the Royal Horticultural Society.

Basic English Falters

Basic English has now become the healthy child of the Ministry of Education. I gather from competent Colonial Office sources that it is highly successful in our Asiatic and African Colonies. Personal experience suggests that it has not won the approval of an English-speaking Europe.

Mr. Churchill's enthusiasm for Basic English sprang from a war visit to Harvard, where an American professor convinced him of its superiority over Volapuk, Esperanto, and other universal languages. He was, I understand, deeply impressed by the excellence of the Basic translation of the Atlantic Charter.

Eager to please so famous a sponsor, the British Council began to translate into Basic English Mr. Churchill's war speeches. The brilliant young lady who was given this onerous task did it well, but when she came to the memorable passage about "blood, sweat and tears," she had to confess herself beaten. All that Basic English could produce was "blood body water and eye wash."

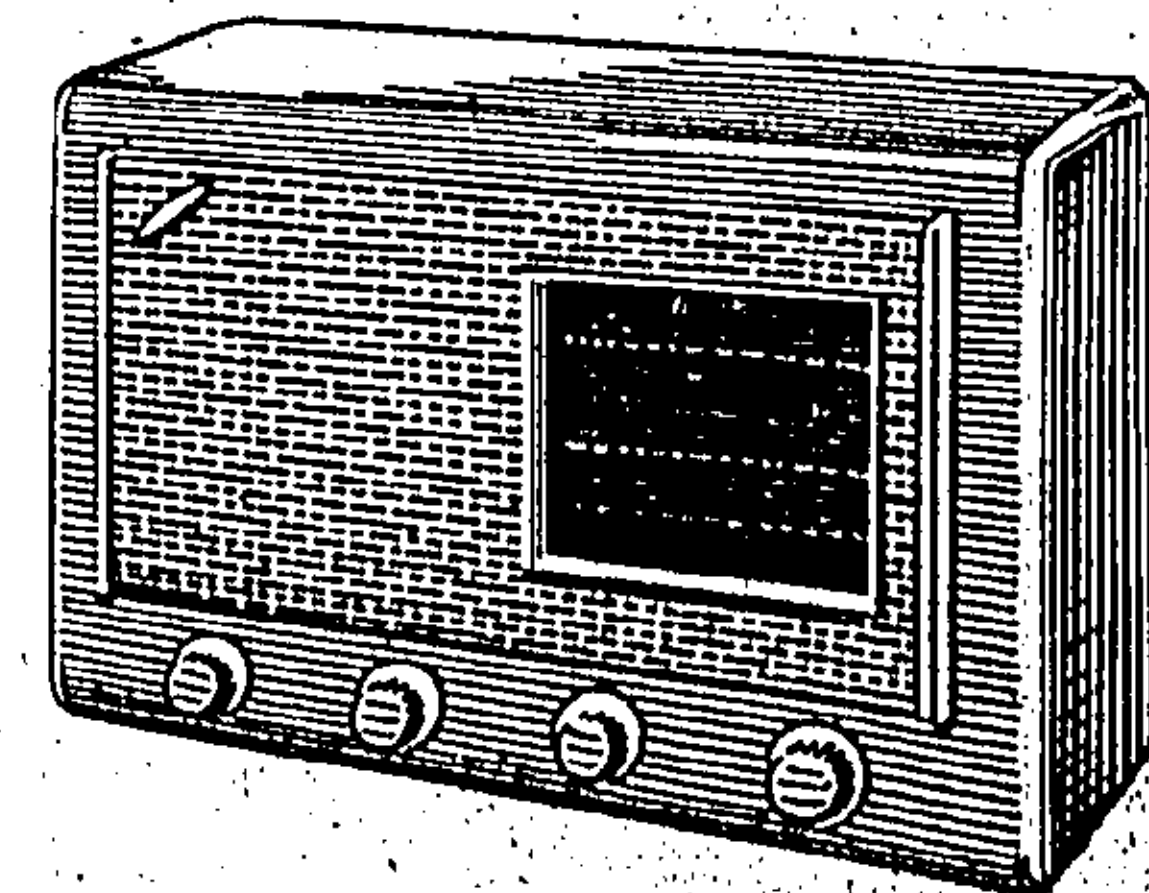


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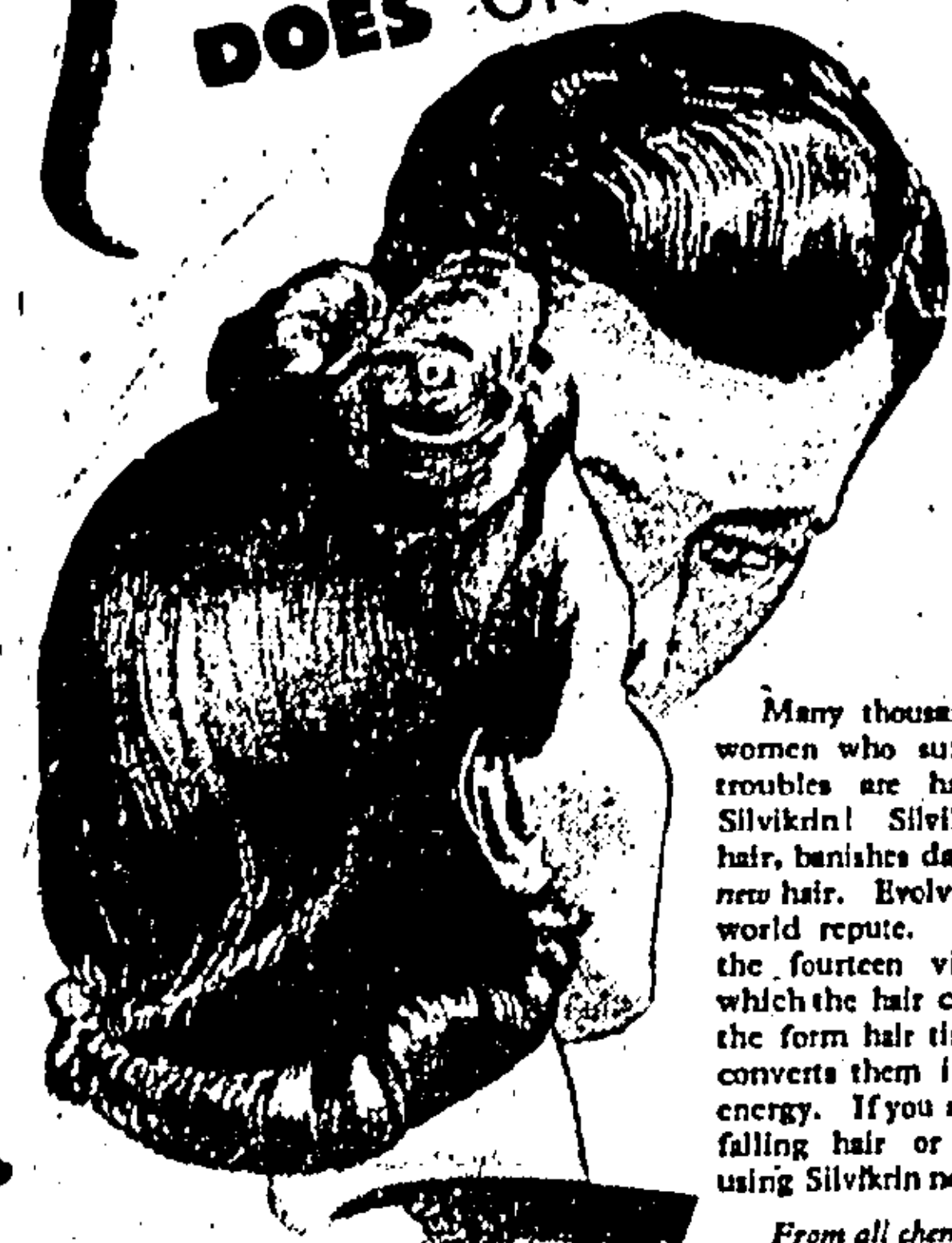
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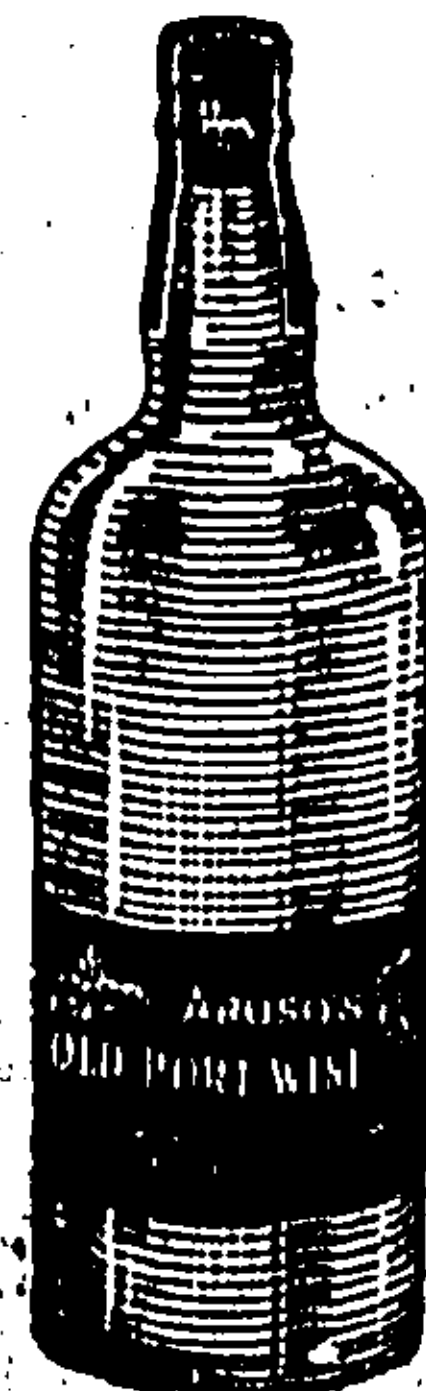
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FRIENDLY CRICKET ROUND-UP

H.K.C.C. Over-35's Kowloon Holds Beat Unders By 10 Army To A Draw

The intra-club cricket game at the Hong Kong Cricket Club yesterday resulted in an exciting win for the Over-35 by 10 runs on the last ball of the last over.

At Sookunpoo a strong Army side was held to a draw by Kowloon Cricket Club. At the Valley Craigenower Cricket Club beat the Chief and Petty Officers by 48 runs. Playing at home Kowloon Cricket Club Seconds were beaten by a Naval team by 66 runs and Recreio trounced University by 83 runs.

Over-35 - Under-35

On the Club ground Over-35 beat Under-35 by 10 runs in the last over.

OVER 35			
J.E. Richardson, c Barclay, b Raynor	20		
L.F. Stokes, c Little, b Raynor	54		
T.A. Pearce, not out	49		
H.N. Bardell, b Brown	1		
H. Owen Hughes, not out	27		
Extras	1		
Total	155		

Haymes, Howarth, Graham, Stewart, Stokes and Smith did not bat.

BOWLING			
	O.	M.	R.
Barclay	5	0	23
Gie	5	0	26
Raynor	10	1	37
Kerr	4	0	21
Brown	6	1	25
Evans Thomas	2	0	19

UNDER 35

M.M. Little, b Howarth	16		
O.J. Kerr, b Stokes	12		
D.S. Odell, b Howarth	13		
A.P. Raynor, c Graham, b Howarth	11		
A.E.J. Brown, not out	32		
L.D. Kilber, b Howarth	15		
M. Harriman, b Howarth	0		
E.F. Gee, c Howarth, b Stewart	13		
C. Barclay, b Graham	14		
R.H. Hughes, b Graham	7		
R. Evans Thomas, run out	10		
Extras	1		
Total	145		

BOWLING			
	O.	M.	R.
Smith	4	0	7
Stokes	4	0	19
Howarth	8	2	26
Owen-Hughes	6	1	14
Graham	5	0	15
Stewart	4	0	37
Haymes	1	0	17

K.C.C. - Army

At Sookunpoo, K.C.C. drew with a strong Army team.

Army scored 126 for their innings and of this score, Major Murray Brown contributed 41 and Major Haig 35. At the fall of the third wicket, Army had scored 100 runs.

ST. GEORGE'S RINKS BEAT ST. ANDREW'S

St. Andrew's Society bowlers yesterday lost to St. George's Society rinks at the Kowloon Bowling Green by 98 to 129 shots.

St. Andrew's lost in five out of the six rinks. Their only victorious skip was Joe Fraser who beat Alf. Hall by the very narrow margin of two shots.

The keenest tussle was between Jock McKelvie and M.N. Rakusen. Up to the very last ball it was anybody's match, with the score at 16-17 against Jock.

Another good fight was put up by R. Morrison against L. Sykes. When the first wood was rolled down on the last ball, Morrison was trailing only two shots behind Sykes.

Best Shot

The best game was put up by President P.S. Cassidy's

Kowloon scored 88 runs for the loss of three wickets before stumps were drawn. Fincher scoring 41 and A. Zimmerman 24.

K.C.C.			
E.C. Fincher, b Darwin	41		
C.J. Stapleton, b Hope	24		
A. Zimmerman, b Broadley	24		
S.A. White, not out	9		
K. Lo, not out	1		
Extras (B.I., L.B.I., N.B.I.)	1		
Total for 3 wickets	88		

W.H. Colledge, N. Hart Baker, J. Barrow, P. Smith, F.R. Zimmerman, R.E. Lee did not bat.

BOWLING			
	O.	M.	R.
Darwin	8	2	20
Stapleton	3	1	7
Hope	5	1	18
Roberts	3	0	16
Womack	2	0	10
Broadley	5	1	14

ARMY

Major Murray Brown, c Lee, b Hart Baker	41		
Major Haig, c Lee, b Smith	35		
Grantham, b R.R. Irancee	7		
Cap. Darwin, hit, wicket, b Hart Baker	0		
Cap. Drew, c A. Zimmerman, b Hart Baker	2		
Cap. Roberts, run out	5		
Cap. Usherwood, b Smith	2		
Cap. Forrow, c Smith, b Hart Baker	14		
Cap. Womack, b Smith	14		
Cap. Stephens, not out	5		
Extras (B.I.O.)	10		
Total	126		

BOWLING			
	O.	M.	R.
F.R. Zimmerman	5	1	10
R.C. Lee	5	0	13
Barrow	4	0	18
Smith	12	1	41
Hart Baker	8	0	34

Craigengower - C.P.O.

At Happy Valley, Craigengower Cricket Club beat Chief and Petty Officers by 48 runs.

R. R. Irancee was top scorer for Craigengower, with 38 not out. He followed this up by taking two wickets for two runs. Lim took 3 wickets for 5 runs.

CRAIGENGOWER			
T.E. Yeoh, c Smith, b Chappel	6		
C. Hong Choy, c Peacock, b Cave	9		
A.H. Ismail, b Silvester	10		
H.P. Lim, c Chappel, b Chappel	17		
C.W. Lam, b Chappel	5		
S. Ramchand, c Wileman, b Silvester	19		
I.M. Omar, c Chappel, b Silvester	19		
R.R. Irancee, not out	14		
D. Leonard, c Wileman	7		
C.S. Carr, c Cave, b Peacock	7		
A. Kuruneri, c Wileman, b Peacock	13		
Extras	1		
Total	122		

W.H. Colledge, N. Hart Baker, J. Barrow, P. Smith, F.R. Zimmerman, R.E. Lee did not bat.

BOWLING			
	O.	M.	R.
Cave	7	2	16
Chappel	14	1	46
Silvester	5	0	35
Wileman	2	0	12
Peacock	1	1	0

CHIEF AND P.O.'s

Smith, c H.P. Lim, b C.W. Lam	8		
Wileman, b C.W. Lam	10		
Harrison, b S. Ramchand	20		
Cave, b C.W. Lam	20		
Chappel, c Hong Choy, b R.R. Irancee	18		
Steadman, run out, b H.P. Lim	9		
Grantham, b R.R. Irancee	7		
Silvester, b H.P. Lim	0		
Burt, b H.P. Lim	0		
Peacock, c A.H. Ismail, b H.P. Lim	2		
A.N. Other, not out	6		
Extras	1		
Total	74		

BOWLING			
	O.	M.	R.
S. Ramchand	5	1	15
C.W. Lam	8	1	25
Hong Choy	4	0	20
R.R. Irancee	4	2	3
H.P. Lim	3	0	5

K.C.C. - Navy

Entertaining a Navy XI at Cox's Path, the Kowloon Cricket Club lost to the visitors by 66 runs.

Victor Bond was the only Home player to score double-figures for his side. Waters of the Navy took three wickets for 14 runs, and Startin three for eight runs.

NAVY			
Wadge, c Lapsley, b White	19		
Lloyd, b Pope	7		
Relly, b Pope	25		
Startin, b Pope	20		
Burton, b Pope	2		
B. Lee, c and b White	1		
M. Smedley, b White	8		
Clarke, b Pope	5		
Buller, not out	14		
Waters, c Gray, b Pope	5		
Webb, not out	7		
Extras	1		
Total	121		

BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.
Pope	19	3	50
Bond	7	0	24
Gray	8	0	19
White	9	1	20

K.C.C.

E. Randall, b Waters	5		
V.H. White, b Clarke	7		
E.A. Broadbridge, b Waters	7		
C.I. Smith, b Lloyd	6		
S.C. Truman, c Buller, b Startin	6		
S.A. Gray, c Waters, b Startin	2		
R. Lapsley, b Startin	2		
R.G. Labrum, c and b Clarke	2		
C. Pope, c and b Clarke	2		
V.C. Bond, b Waters	13		
F.H. Bond, not out	2		
Extras	10		
Total	65		

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Washington, Dec. 13.
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London Stock Exchange

	London, Dec. 12
British Consols, 1946/75	88
Conversion Loan, 3 1/2%, 1961	105 1/2
Funding Loan, 1960/69	112
War Loan, 3 1/2%, 1962	103 1/2
War Loan, 3 1/2%	102 1/2
Victory Bonds, 4 1/2%	113 1/2
Great Western Consolidated, ord.	57
London Midland & Scot. Ry., ord.	28 1/2
London & Eastern Ry., def.	3 1/2
Southern Railway Co., def.	23 1/2
L.P.T.B., ord.	127 1/2
L.P.T.B., 4 1/2%	65

INDUSTRIALS

	6 1/2/32
British Celanese, ord.	25 1/2
Carson Ltd., ord.	6
J. & P. Co., ord.	71 1/2
Curatins, ord.	40 1/2
Distillers Co., ord.	31 1/2
Dunlop Rubber Co., ord.	26 1/2
Imperial Tobacco Co., ord.	5 1/2/32
Intern. Nickel Co. of Canada, ord.	40 1/2
Lowry Bros. & Unilevers, ord.	54 1/2/32

TEA SHARES

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Assam Frontier Tea	15 1/2
Assam Tea Co.	20 1/2
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	16 1/2/32
Ambo-Dutch Plantation of Java	16 1/2/32
Guthrie Plantation Rubber Estate	20 1/2
Rubber Plantation Invest. Trust	21 1/2

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	5 1/2/32
Burns Corp.	5 1/2/32
Crown Mines	4 1/2
Rundberg Mines	17 1/2
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N.Y. Stock Market

New York, Dec. 13.
Paired by oil the stock market enjoyed a fairly active but selective recovery on Friday. Top gains running to two points were trimmed in most cases at the close.

Transfers totaled 1,220,000 shares. Buying was credited to the belief that reinvestment purchasing would bring an upswing before the end of December. Among gainers were Houston Oil, Phillips Petroleum, Pure Oil, Sinclair Oil, Continental Oil, Texas Company, Douglas Aircraft, Phelps, Dodge, Eastern Airlines, United Airlines.

Stumblers included Consolidated Edison, North American, Dow Chemical, Santa Fe, Pepsi-Cola. Dow Jones Average: Stocks 63.09, 20 Industrials 17.37, 16 Rails 48.10, 70 Utilities 32.97.

Closing quotations—Adams Express 17 1/2, Alaska Juneau 3 1/2, American Can 70 1/2, American Smelting 67 1/2, American Telephone 160 1/2, American Tobacco 65 1/2, American Waterways 30 1/2, Associated Copper 37 1/2, Aviation Corp. 41 1/2, Baldwin Locomotive 14 1/2, Barnard 28 1/2, Bendix Aviation 29 1/2, Bethlehem Steel 98 1/2, Boeing Aircraft 22 1/2, Borden Co. 41 1/2, Canadian Pacific 10 1/2, J. I. Case 40 1/2, Chrysler 62 1/2, Colgate 42 1/2, Commercial Solvent 2 1/2, Corn Products 65 1/2, Dupont 18 1/2, Eastman Kodak 48 1/2, Electric Light & Power 17 1/2, General Electric 31 1/2, General Motors 57 1/2, Goodrich 57 1/2, Goodyear 42 1/2, Greyhound 11 1/2, Homestake Mining 30 1/2, International Harvester 87 1/2, International Paper 64 1/2, International Tel. & Tel. 22 1/2, Johns-Manville 10 1/2, Kennecott Copper 45 1/2, Montgomery Ward 52 1/2, National Distillers 20 1/2, National Lead 33 1/2, New York Central 18 1/2, Packard Motors 45 1/2, Pan American Airways 45 1/2, Pennsylvania R.R. 10 1/2, Radio Corp. 9 1/2, Real Silk 18 1/2, Republic Steel 20 1/2, Reynolds Tobacco 40 1/2, Schenley 32 1/2, Sears Roebuck 30 1/2, Shell Oil 30 1/2, Southern Railway 17 1/2, Southern Pacific 44 1/2, Standard Brands 25 1/2, Standard Oil of Calif. 60 1/2, Standard Oil of N. J. 70 1/2, Studebaker 20 1/2, Union Bag 31 1/2, Union Carbide 20 1/2, US Rubber 48 1/2, US Steel 74 1/2, US Lines 29 1/2, Westhouse 29 1/2, Youngstown Sheet & Tube 75 1/2, Ge. Pub. Utilities 18 1/2.—Associated Press.

BUENOS AIRES EXCHANGE

	Buenos Aires, Dec. 12
Buenos Aires On London, buyers	16.15
16.15 sellers	16.18
New York 401.25b	401.50a
France	336.00b
337.00a	337.15b
3.15a	3.15b
Sweden	112.00b
112.50a	112.50b
Switzerland	24.25b

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	New York, Dec. 12
Silver, Bar (asked price) 74 1/2 ct.	
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MEXICAN EXCHANGE

	Mexico City, Dec. 12
New York 4.85	4.85
Paris 4.50	4.50
Zurich 14.15	14.15
Bombay, un-	quoted

ALEXANDRIA BULLION

	Alexandria, Dec. 12
Gold per 100 grams	177 piastres
177 piastres	177 piastres
177 piastres	177 piastres

BANGKOK RATES

	Bangkok, Dec. 12
Gold Bar, per 100 grams	1524 piastres
1524 piastres	1524 piastres
1524 piastres	1524 piastres

CHINA BANK DEPOSITS

Shanghai, Dec. 13.
The Central Bank of China today revealed that bank deposits throughout China during October totalled CN\$1,053,996,000,000, showing an increase of CN\$220,000,000,000 over the September deposits. United Press.

Money Market

Gold fell to \$301.60 a tael yesterday after opening at \$307, and closed at \$301.75, with the undertone very weak.

Piastres continued to climb on rumours of an early peace in Indo-China. Yesterday the rate climbed to \$11.65 a 100, after opening at \$11.35. At the close it was \$11.40.

Chinese National Currency was quoted nominal at 33 cents for futures and 43 cents for spot (for CN\$10,000).

U.S. dollars continued quiet at \$5.07 1/2. Sterling was quoted at \$13.05, and Australian pounds were unchanged at \$12.61.

Ticnals were quoted on the Exchange at \$25.80 and NEI Guilders at \$26.00 for 100.

In Shanghai yesterday (says Reuter) the open market rates remained unchanged at CN\$72,000 (buyers) and CN\$74,000 (sellers) for the U.S. dollar, and CN\$222,000 (buyers) and CN\$228,000 (sellers) for Sterling.

ZURICH EXCHANGE

	Zurich on London
17.35	
New York 4.30	4.30
Paris 3.62 1/2	3.62 1/2
Brussels 9.87 1/2	9.87 1/2
Amsterdam 102.30	102.30
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Jap Stock Exchange To Reopen?

TOKYO, DEC. 13.
THE REOPENING OF THE JAPANESE STOCK EXCHANGE IN THE EARLY PART OF NEXT YEAR IS REGARDED AS ALMOST CERTAIN BY ALLIED AND JAPANESE OBSERVERS HERE.

Re-establishment of an organized exchange, which has been closed since surrender day, Aug. 15, 1945, was felt to be an absolute necessity in view of the impending reorganization of major Japanese companies under the deconcentration law passed this week by the Diet.

The affected Japanese concerns have approximately 500,000,000 shares which must go on the open market to conform with law.

It is generally believed in SCAP quarters that this largest "share pushing project" in history could not be carried out without an organized exchange.

Present over the counter sales average 25,000 shares daily while the pre-war exchange averaged well over the million mark although at lower prices than New York or London.

Another factor in the disposition of Japanese company shares is the anticipated arrival next month of at least 150 representatives of Allied pre-war investors who will submit reorganization plans for Japanese firms in which they held large interests.—United Press.

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QUADRANGULAR RUGGER Army Tounce Club Topple RAF 6-0 Navy 11-6

(By "CRUMS")

The first rounds of the Quadrangular Tournament were played yesterday in perfect Rugger weather. At Sookunpoo the Army beat the R.A.F. 6-0 and on the Club ground the Club beat the Navy 11-6.

The Club-Navy game, while never reaching high standard of football, was played at a very fast pace throughout and the spectators were treated to plenty of thrills.

The Navy were perhaps unlucky to lose but the Club must take full marks for making the most of their opportunities.

In the Club pack mention must be made of Small and Forsgate, both of whom were always on the ball, and Taylor and Godfrey, both of whom used their height to every advantage in the line-out.

In the Navy pack Page and Broke were tireless workers and Vickers did well to get the ball as often as he did against Mr. Whittier.

From the kick-off the Club pressed and play was mostly confined to the Navy half.

The Navy defence, however, held good and it was not till after 15 minutes play that the Club pack got the ball in a scrum in the Navy line and wheeled in copy-book fashion for Taylor to score.

The score remained at 3-0 till half-time.

Navy Attacks

Immediately after the resumption of play the Navy for 10 minutes pinned the Club in their own line.

Time after time the Navy forward hurled themselves at the line only to be held up.

Relief came when the Club heeled and the ball came out to Thompson who tried a long kick for touch.

The bounce beat the Navy full back and Thompson and Small were able to take the ball up the field by a series of "fly-kicks" for Thompson to score near the posts—a try very much against the run of the play, which Henderson converted.

This reverse put new life into the Navy back, who from then on combined very well.

A beautiful passing movement, when the ball went right across the three-quarter line, resulted in their left wing outpacing the field to score in the corner. The kick failed.

It was still all Navy after this except for occasional Club sorties, one of which again took the

ball to the Navy line where the Navy forwards were penalised for off-side and Henderson kicked a penalty goal for the Club.

As time drew short, the Navy backs kept up their offensive on the Club line and were definitely unlucky not to score.

Their reward came, however, in the form of a penalty goal, one of four attempts which kept the touchjudges running nearly as hard as the players!

Though they cannot have

SOUTH CHINA - KWONG WAH

In a fast and thrilling game at Caroline Hill, South China won by the only goal scored during the game.

Fifteen minutes from the start, Lee Yuk-tak scored the only goal of the game—he headed the ball out of reach of the goalkeepers from a long shot by Lau.

In a collision with another player, Yuen Yau-heung of South China was injured and had to be carried out of the field.

However, he returned to play after the interval with his arm heavily bandaged and was a passenger for the remainder of the game.

Just before the interval, Law Tak Fook of Kwong Wah received a nasty gash in the forehead and had to be carried out of the field.

Playing against ten men after the interval, South China tried to increase their lead. They attacked in earnest but, however hard they tried, always found Leung Pak Wai frustrating all their efforts.

South China: Lee Wai-wai, Yuen Yau-heung, Lam Yau-shing, Lee Shek-ching, Leung Wai-chin, Lau Wai-keung, Lau Shek-wah, Lee Yuk-tak, Chan Tak-fai, Tong Shing, Lau Shing.

Kwong Wah: Tang Pak-fook, Wong Shuk-ke, Leung Pak-wai, Leung Chun-ling, Leung Che-chung, Leung Shun-chai, Chung Chun-keung, Law Tak-fook, Chin Fui, Tam Yung-kun, Kwok Man-tin.

**FRIENDLY CRICKET
ROUND-UP
SEE — Page 19**

Williams Batters Way To 9th Straight Win

New York, Dec. 13.
 Lightweight champion Ike Williams today scored his ninth straight victory by winning an easy non-title ten-round decision over welterweight Tony Pellone before 12,000 fans at Madison Square Garden.

Pellone was on the verge of being knocked out in the 7th, 8th and 9th rounds.

However, he rallied to fight on even terms in the 10th after Williams had tired himself from punching Tony's bloody face.

The Negro champion gave tough Tony such a merciless beating that the referee threatened to stop the fight after the eighth and again after the ninth round. However there were no knockdowns.—United Press.

The Second Test:

INDIA OUT FOR 188: AUSTRALIA 1 FOR 28

Sydney, Dec. 13.

At the close of play today in the second day of the second Test between Australia and India, the Indians had scored 188 runs in their first innings and Australia 28 runs for one wicket.

Australia's magnificent attack held the upper hand right through the Indian innings in the match today.

India never once got on top of this attack, which was well handled by Bradman.

Every over, Lindwall seemed likely to secure a wicket. The Indians were never comfortable against his pace, and were often beaten. He was unlucky not to take more than one wicket.

Miller and Johnston were not as hostile as Lindwall, but they bowled well. Ian Johnson worked the batsmen with his slow off spin and his flight.

McCool was played with confidence, as India have played googly bowlers right through the tour.

McCool finished with three for 71.

Struggle

India struggled all day, with the danger of a wicket falling at any time.

Hazare did not cover up, and Amarnath stepped too far over. It was left to neglected Phadkar to play the best innings, proving the mistake of his omission from the first Test.

Nayudu fell to a magnificent catch by McCool off his own bowling the Australian falling full length on his left side and holding a powerful drive.

Australia missed two sharp chances, but on the whole the fielding was well up to the usual high test standard.

Amir Elahi, like Mayudu, hit out, giving deep mid-off an easy catch. The tactics of Amir Elahi and Mayudu in hitting out were difficult to understand. With Phadkar well set, their policy should have been to keep one end up. Phadkar was last out, trying to force the pace.

After the Australian attack, the Indian bowling looked meagre.

After Irani had dropped a difficult catch from Brown, a lucky

batsman, off Phadkar on the leg side, Mankad ran Brown out when he was backing up.

Although this is justified by the laws of cricket, it leaves a bad taste in the mouth.

India's cricketers were mesmerised by the wet wicket today but the slight moisture in the wicket gave no help to the bowlers before lunch.

Afterwards the wicket was easy but the batsmen were not and Amarnath, who are both capable of making big scores, were bowled without making a real attempt to play the ball.

Australia's bowling was top class, with Lindwall and Miller bowling faster than in any previous match against the tourists. Lindwall looked dangerous all the time and kept the batsmen playing.

SCORE

INDIA—FIRST INNINGS				
Sarwate, b. Johnston	0			
Mankad, b. Lindwall	5			
Hazare, b. Miller	18			
Cul Mahomed, b. U. Miller	25			
Amarnath, b. Johnston	25			
Adikhari, b. Johnston	25			
Kishenchand, b. Johnston	44			
Mayudu, c. & b. McCool	6			
Amir Elahi, c. Miller, b. McCool	4			
Phadkar, c. Miller, b. McCool	52			
Irani, not out	7			
Extras	7			
Total	188			
AUSTRALIA—FIRST INNINGS				
Brown, run out	18			
Morris, not out	10			
Bradman, not out	0			
Extras	0			
Total for one wicket	28			

Home Football Results

The following were the results of football matches played today:

SECOND ROUND		SCOTTISH LEAGUE DIVISION "A"	
Bournemouth & Boscombe Alb.	1 Bradford C.	Clyde	2 Hearts
Bristol R.	4 New Brighton	Dundee	2 Partick Ths.
Colchester U.	1 Wrexham	Hibernian	1 Celtic
Hull City	4 Cheltenham	Morton	0 Queen's Park
Oldham A.	0 Mansfield T.	Motherwell	0 Falkirk
Reading	3 Newport C.	Queen's North	3 Aldershot
Runcorn	0 Barrow	Rangers	4 Aberdeen
Tranmere R.	0 Chester	Third Lanark	1 St. Mirren
Wokingham	1 Crewe Alex.	DIVISION "B"	
Northwich	1 Gillingham	Albion Rovers	3 Alton Athletic
Aldershot	0 Swindon Town	Ayr United	3 Dundee United
Bristol C.	0 Crystal Palace	Dumbarton	3 Arbroath
Hartlepool U.	1 Brighton & H.	Dunfermline	2 Raith Rovers
Northampton	1 Torquay U.	East Fife	3 Cowdenbeath
Norwich City	2 Walsall	Stenhousemuir	1 Hamilton Acad.
Notts Co.	1 Stockton	Sirling Albion	2 Kilmarnock
Stockport	1 Shrewsbury	St. Johnston	2 Leith Athletic
LEAGUE ONE		NORTHERN	
Aston Villa	1 Middlesbrough	Carlisle United	2 Accrington Sian
Blackburn Roy.	1 Manchester U.	Southport	2 Gateshead
Blackpool	0 Preston North	Swansea Town	3 Southern U.
Chelsea	1 Portsmouth	Portvale	2 Lincoln City
Derby Co.	1 Stoke C.	Queen's P.R.	2 Rotherham U.
Everton	2 Bolton Wand.	—Reuter.	
Grimsby T.	0 Arsenal	BAGS ON FIRE	
Huddersfield	0 Burnley	A quantity of gunny bags on the roof of 4 Pak Po Street the premises of the Chau Ngai Hing Knitting Factory, were destroyed by fire at about 8.40 p.m. yesterday. Two fire engines were despatched to the scene and extinguished the fire before any further damage was done.	
Manchester C.	4 Sheffield U.	Printed and published for the proprietors by WATKINS JAMES KNATEL, Limited, at the "Herald" Press, 11, Wing Lok Street, Hong Kong.	
Sunderland	0 Charlton A.		
Wolverhampton	0 Liverpool		
LEAGUE TWO			
Bradford	3 Plymouth Arg.		
Cardiff C.	1 Barnsley		
Chesham	4 Coventry		
Doncaster Rovers	0 Brentford		
Millwall	2 Newcastle U.		
Notts Forest	2 Luton T.		
Sheffield Wed.	1 Walsingham		
Southampton	1 Leicester C.		
Tottenham	3 Birmingham C.		
Wolves	3 Fulham		

KITCHEE HARD PRESSED Chinese Athletic And RAF Score

There were no surprising results in yesterday's football matches. The leaders in both divisions won comfortably though Kitchee, after establishing a lead of 5-1, were on the defensive for a great part of the second half and won by 8-4.

At Boundary Road, Navy—after a promising start—fell away and were beaten by Chinese Athletic by seven goals to two. Club received a setback when they went down to Royal Air Force by four clear goals.

In the second Division, East-ern trounced Kitchee by 6-1 after a very even first half. Navy continued at the head of the Second Division "A" by beating Ordinance by 7-1.

RESULTS

Kit Chee—Buffs
 Kit chee beat Buffs by 8 goals to 4 at Sookunpoo, but they did not have matters entirely their own way. They had to fight every inch of the way.

Five minutes after the start, Kit Chee drew first blood when Lau Chung-sang netted with a fast ground shot with Anderson unopposed.

Buffs retaliated strongly and were soon on even terms when Gravesen headed in a beautiful goal from a well placed pass by Jensen.

With the scores level, both sides went all out to gain the lead.

Following a concerted attack on the Buffs goal, Kwok Ying-kee, who was unmarked, gathered an overhead pass from Tang Kwong-sum and sent it crashing to the top of the net from close range.

Gravesen, Cunningham and Jensen were putting up a sparkling performance in the Buffs forward line, while in defence, Majendie, Lowe, Petersen and Lillis fought grimly and worried the Kit Chee attack by their robust tackling.

Kit Chee carried out occasional raids on the Buffs goals and through fine opportunism, added further goals through Kwok Ying-kee and Ho Ying-fun (2), to bring the score to 5-1 at half time.

From a break-away Kwok Ying-kee went through on his own and sent in a rasping shot which Andersen saved and cleared, but the ball was returned by Tang Kwong-sum to Kwok Ying-kee, who made no mistake this time.

The Buffs were not to be denied, however, and following a miskick by Hau Yung-sang, who had been playing a faultless game for Kit Chee, Birch-Nielsen scored from a pass by Mockler.

This goal stung Kit Chee into action and Ho Ying-fun again netted, following a neat bout of passing.

Ho Ying-fun managed to get the ball past Andersen to give Kit Chee their eighth and last goal.

In the next minute, however, Jensen raced through on his own and scored with a well directed shot.

Encouraged by this success, Buffs attacked strongly and scored their fourth goal through Gravesen.

Team:—
 Kit Chee: Chung Koon-hing, Hau Yung-sang, Tang Chung-wan, Lau Hing-choy, Boeng Lim-sing, Lau Chung-sang, Tang Kwong-sum, Ho Ying-fun, Lee Ping-chiu, Kwok Ying-kee and Wong King-chung.

Buffs: Andersen, Lowe, Petersen, Lillis, Majendie, Birch-Nielsen, Jensen, Cunningham, Syde, Gravesen and Mockler.

R.A.F.—Club

At Causeway Bay, Royal Air Force registered a convincing win over Club.

Both sides played with only 10 men for the greater part of the game.

Mullen was injured before the Air Force was also injured early in the game and left the field for good.

Sewell for the Airmen opened the scoring when he sent in a shot which had Leck well beaten.

Just before half time Sewell added another.

After a period of even exchanges Royal Air Force broke away on the left wing and from a centre by Gray, Hamilton, netted.

The last goal was scored by

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

FIRST DIVISION			
South China	1	Kwong Wah	0
Buffs	4	Kit Chee	0
R.A.F.	4	Club	0
Chinese A. A.	7	Royal Navy	2
SECOND DIVISION "A"			
Dockyard	1	South China	5
Eastern	6	Kit Chee	1
Navy	7	R.A.C.C.	1
W.D. Chinese	1	K.C.C.	2
SECOND DIVISION "B"			
Chinese A. A.	2	R.E.M.E.	0

Sewell following a good solo run.

Club: Leck, Fielding and Strasser; Mullen Furrow and Hittler; Searcy, Weller, Fowler, Redman and Bickford.

R.A.F.: Knuckley; Pasant and Boulart; Beard, Graham and Anderson; Dudgey, Hamilton, Sewell, Davidson and Gray.

Chinese A.—Navy

Athletic-humbled Navy 7 to 2 at Boundary Street.

Except for the first half when Navy started off promisingly and actually led 2 to 1, the game was very one-sided.

Navy were the first to score through Davies, their centre-forward.

The Chinese equaliser came from Mow Chung-wing, who scored a good goal.

During a Chinese attack, Navy's custodian Adie was injured and had to be carried off the field. His place was taken by Regester, right half, until Adie returned after fifteen minutes.

Foxlee beat the Chinese keeper with a job, taken just outside the penalty area.

Navy lead 2 to 1 when the interval came.

The Chinese reshuffled their attack in the second half.

The equaliser came when Lee Chung-fat scored from a corner kick taken by Leung Ping-kwan.

They went further ahead when the same player beat Adie with a nice goal, going through on his own.

Lee Chung-fat scored his third goal and completed his hat-trick from a pass off Mow Chung-wing.

At this stage of the game, Athletic dominated and scored this fifth through Hung Hing-yuk.

Their last two goals came from Lee Tai-fat and Hung Hing-yuk, in quick succession.

The final whistle blew with the Chinese worthy winners.

Team:—
 Chinese Athletic: Yu Kai-yun, Lee Kwok-wai, Lee Ping-nam, Ho Yau-koo, Hung Hing-yuk, Leung Ping-sum, Lee Tai-fat, Chan Kam-poi, Lee Chung-fat, Mow Chung-wing, Leung Ping-kwan.

Royal Navy: Adie, Iler, Cousins, Regester, Madson, Filtham, Moore, Petersen, Davies, Foxlee, Youke.

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